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Two Mayors Killed While On Active Duty During London Raids

LONDON, May 12.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Churchill, accompanied by Lord Beaverbrook and the Minister of Land and Works, to-day examined the ruins of the Debating Chamber of the House of Commons. Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Minister without Portfolio, who is responsible for the re-building of Britain after the war was on the scene earlier in the day.

It was learnt in London that the destruction of the Debating Chamber of the House of Commons will not prevent the next meeting of the House as new accommodation has already been made available.

POLISH DEPUTY PREMIER WOUNDED

Gen. Sosnkowski, Polish Deputy Prime Minister, was seriously wounded during Saturday's air raid on London.

Gen. Sosnkowski was walking with companions to a friend's flat but instead of entering immediately remained outside in the street to watch the raid. A bomb fell nearby the House and splinters struck the General in the back, on the hands and neck. An operation is being performed to remove a splinter near the Jugular veins.

Gen. Sosnkowski, who was wounded many times in previous wars, made light of his injuries.

REPLICA OF CHAMBER READY

Reuter's parliamentary correspondent writes:—The extreme damage done to the House of Commons will make necessary the use of a replica of that Chamber, which has existed elsewhere for some time past and which has actually been used on a number of occasions for full meetings of Commons. The Reserve Chamber is smaller than the original House of Commons. The Speaker's chair, the green benches and the gangways, familiar to visitors to the old Commons are reproduced in form though the familiar green leather has been replaced by green cloth. The press sit at the opposite end of the Chamber from that to which they are accustomed, sharing the available space with diplomats who formerly had their own very exclusive gallery. It is not therefore, in any hasty or improvised fashion that the destruction of the old Commons will be met.

There is a similar reproduction of the House of Lords in existence, which has met already in its new surroundings.—

MAYORS ON DUTY KILLED.

London:—Two Mayors have been killed in the raids on London, the Mayor of Westminster on Saturday night, while visiting a shelter which received a direct hit and the Mayor of Bermondsey who was helping in the fire-fighting in a recent raid.—Reuter.

PASSAGE FOR GERMAN TROOPS

Nazi Negotiations With Vichy Govt.

LONDON, May 12.

The Germans are reported to be pressing Vichy Government for permission to use the Pan-Saragossa Railway to convey German troops to Spain because the Bordeaux-St. Sebastian line in occupied territory is inadequate for conveying troops in large numbers, says the independent French Agency's Correspondent on the French frontier.

There is no indication that the Germans intend the immediate use the Pan line, even if Vichy agrees, but have made the request apparently to convince the Vichy Government that Gen. Franco has assented to the passage of German troops through Spain. Marshal Petain so far does not seem to have consented. —Reuter.

STOP PRESS

BERLIN, May 12.

The Soviet Ambassador to Berlin, M. Dekanosov, is returning to his post to-day after spending fourteen days in Moscow.

Neutrality Patrol V. Convoy

ISOLATIONISTS ACTIVE AGAIN IN U. S.

President Feels Better: Interview With Menzies

LONDON, (By Cable.)

The hope that President Roosevelt will announce a bold new plan of action in the speech he is making on the 14th is discounted in White House circles, according to the 'Daily Telegraph' Washington Correspondent.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

The speech, it is suggested, will be devoted mainly to the Pan-American situation and the dangers confronting the Western Hemisphere..

President Roosevelt is said to be not yet completely convinced that the neutrality patrol cannot be developed into an adequate substitute for Convoys.

If an overwhelming public demand were made that Convoys should be adopted, the President would, as head of a democratic nation, see that the people's will was put into effective operation.

But while waiting for public opinion to grow, precious time is lost. Immediate Convoys now might mean that more drastic belligerent activities later could be avoided. A tremendous weight of responsibility rests on the President at the moment, and an inner mental struggle to reach the right decision has been evident in his personal appearance.

The gastric trouble from which he has been suffering in the past week, and which led to the cancellation for the second time running of his regular meeting with the press, is a symptom of this nervous strain.

ISOLATIONISTS UP AGAIN

The demand is growing for the convoying by the United States of war material going to Britain.

Senator Vendenberg's attempt to minimise the importance of British shipping losses by citing figures supplied by Rear-Admiral Land, Chairman of the United States Maritime Commission, comes in for severe criticism to-day.

It is not logical, the 'New York Times' ponts out "to avoid using the navy until it is clear that Britains plight is desperate. If a man wishes to save his friend from drowning, he does not wait for the friend to start to go down for the third time—he goes in, while the friend still has strength enough to help in his own rescue."

The explanation officially given out in London, that low sinkings in the Atlantic can be secured only by stripping other routes of adequate convoy protection and accepting greater losses elsewhere, was also on the right lines and helped to put the Atlantic situation in its proper perspective as a part of the whole shipping picture.

SENATE DEBATE

The Senate debate on the bill to take over foreign shipping idle in United States ports will begin shortly, and the whole question of the Battle of the Atlantic and the policy to be adopted by the United States will come under review.

The German Government has

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MENZIES MEETS ROOSEVELT

WASHINGTON.— Mr Menzies had an hour's bedside talk with President Roosevelt after which Mr. Menzies told pressmen, "There were few things we did not talk about, we circumnavigated the globe and it was a stimulating journey." The Minister, Mr. Casey, who accompanied Mr. Menzies, said that they talked of matters "past, present and future." Mr. Menzies has brought no message from Mr. Churchill to President Roosevelt but said that he conveyed verbal personal greetings.

Heavy Raids On Benghazi

R. A. F. And Br. Navy Hammer Axis Positions In North Africa

CAIRO, May 12.

Heavy raids on Benghazi, where ships were attacked and three large fires were started on the mole were made yesterday states a British R.A.F. Middle East Communique to-day.

At Benina, three German and one other plane were set on fire while at Berka, direct hits were obtained on buildings northwest of the landing ground.

Elgazala was also raided. At Derna a landing ground on which a number of enemy aircraft were dispersed was attacked and motor transport in the vicinity was bombed and machinegunned.

Considerable damage was caused to enemy mechanised units in various other places between Tobruk and Derna. One German plane, a messerschmitt 109 was attacked and destroyed.

The Middle East R.A.F. Communique also states that in Iraq "the situation has become stabilised. British aircraft have been engaged on punitive operations against rebels in most of the districts, where they were observed.

In Abyssinia, a South African Air Force of a Rhodesian squadron and of the R.A.F. continued to harass the Italians at Gimma, Sciasciamanna, Uadera and Alage.

One British plane is missing from all these operations."—Reuter.

BOMBARDMENT OF BENGHAZI

LONDON, May 12.

Both the Italians and Germans speak of further naval bombardment of Benghazi. The German version is that the harbour was shelled both on Saturday and Sunday nights.—Reuter.

A fire broke out on Sunday evening at the B. B. & C. I. Railway Goods Yard at Dadar. Photo shows the fire brigade at work.

Gandhiji's Articles On The Tapis Again

(From Our Correspondent)

SIMLA, May 12.

The main question, which will come up before the next meeting of the Standing Committee of newspaper editors is understood to be certain difficulties which have arisen in connection with Gandhiji's articles.

From the official side the complaint is that in some cases before they had been passed by the Chief Press Adviser, according to the understanding reached with the Editors' Conference certain papers had published these articles. On the other hand certain members of the Standing Committee appear to feel that the terms of understanding on the subject require further clarification, as, in their view it had been agreed that Gandhiji's articles should ordinarily be allowed for publication.

Other matters which will come up are the "Sainik" case of Agra and the threatened action against "National Herald."

EDITORS' CONFERENCE

Committee Will Meet In Simla On May 30

SIMLA, May 12.

It is understood that the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Newspaper Editors' Conference will take place in Simla on May 30.

The delay is due to the fact that a number of editors of Indian newspapers are away in Malaya and a date earlier than the 30th is not likely to suit their convenience.—A. P.

NEWSPRINT IMPORT LICENCES

(From Our Correspondent)

SIMLA, May 12.

Representations made by newspaper interests regarding newsprint import restrictions are understood to be receiving the urgent consideration of the Government of India. There appears to be sympathy for the two claims made, viz., firstly, licenses should be granted on the basis of last year's purchases and not merely imports and secondly, that retail prices of newsprint should be controlled, if the reported tendency to raise the prices unjustifiably continues.

As regards the request that indents placed before April 12 should not be subject to licenses, it is understood that exemption from license in cases where letters of credit have been obtained is being considered by Government.

DARJEELING, May 11.—The Government of Bengal have acquired at a cost of Rs. 1,25,000 extensive areas at Woodlands for shifting several Government offices and also for providing residential quarters to Ministers and certain Government officials.—United Press.

FORD WORKERS ON STRIKE?

Sequel To Attitude Of Employers

The Gen. Secretary Ford Motor Workers' Union, Bombay, writes:—

A general meeting of the Ford Motor Workers' Union was held last evening under the presidentship of Mr. Purshottam Trikamdas at the office of the Union, and it was unanimously resolved to declare a strike in the Ford Motor Factory from to-day (Tuesday).

It may be recalled that on last Monday the Ford Company all of a sudden, discharged a great number of workers (nearly 200) alleging that they wilfully absented themselves from work on the previous Saturday afternoon. The fact according to the Union is that there is an invariable practice of the Company, whenever Saturday was to be worked as a full day, the workers were informed through the heads of their respective departments about it on the previous working day. On Friday 2nd instant no intimation to that effect was given to the workers. Only on Monday, when the workers presented themselves for work, they came to know that there was a notice put on the board at five minutes to 1 p.m. viz. usual closing time, that they had to work overtime on Saturday and had been discharged for not obeying the order.

EMPLOYERS ADAMANT.

The representatives of the Union tried to see the employers in vain, the representatives of the workers then approached the Labour Commissioner, National Service Tribunal and also the Governor of Bombay but to no effect. The employers were not prepared to reconsider their decision.

It may also be mentioned here that the President of the Union had sent a letter to the Managing Director of the Company requesting them either to reconsider his decision or submit the case to an impartial tribunal and asking him to reply by 5-30 p.m. yesterday, but the Union received no reply from him till 6 p.m.

The Union, thus having explored all the avenues available, decided unanimously to resort to their last weapon—that is strike—**from Tuesday onwards.**

Wanted Prompt Aid From U. S.

PLAN FOR QUICK DEFEAT OF JAPAN

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek Needs Arms And Economic Support

CHUNGKING, May 12.

Early effective assistance from the United States would mean quick defeat of Japan, declared Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, speaking at a farewell dinner in honour of Mr. Nelson Johnson, the retiring United States Ambassador.

"So long as friendly powers send arms and give economic support to China, they can safely leave Japan to China without sending their navy or troops to China," Marshal Chiang Kai-shek added.

Mr. Johnson who has been transferred to Australia will leave Chungking by air on Wednesday for Hongkong to meet Mr. Clarence Jauss, the newly appointed United States Ambassador to China.

Mr. Johnson is returning to Washington before going to Australia, the Commander of the United States Air Force in the Philippines, Brigadier-General Claggett will shortly arrive in Chungking, it is understood.—Reuter.

MARSHAL CHIANG KAI-SHEK.

Hess Creates Sensation

Nazi Number Three Not Traced After Taking Off

LONDON, May 12.

Rudolf Hess, Hitler's Deputy has not been heard of since he took off from Augsbery in an aeroplane on Saturday, May 10, states the German Radio.

It is thought that Hess either met with an accident or deliberately fell out of the machine, the German announcer added.—

It is officially stated that Hess has landed in Scotland.

NAZIS EXPLAIN IT

BERLIN:—Rudolf Hess, Hitler's Deputy has met with sudden death in mysterious circumstances while on an aeroplane flight from Augsburg, Bavaria from which he took off on May 10.

An official announcement by the National Socialist Party issued by the German News Agency to-day suggests that Hess was suffering from "mental disorder", and says that he "either jumped out of the plane or met with an accident."

It adds that Hitler has ordered the arrest of the dead man's adjutants.—

Forty-five year old Hess was the "Nazi Number Three", he was to follow Goering as successor to Hitler in the event of their deaths. the official announcement of the National-Socialist Party broadcast by the German News Agency states; "the party member, Rudolf Hess who owing to his suffering from an illness of many years standing was strictly forbidden by the Fuehrer to embark upon any further flying activity, recently again was able contrary to the orders, to get possession of an aeroplane, on Saturday, May tenth, at about 18-00, Rudolf Hess again set off on a flight from Augsburg from which he has not returned up to present time. A letter which Hess left behind shows by its distractedness traces of mental disorder, and it is feared that Hess was the victim of Hallucination.

The Fuehrer at once ordered the arrest of the adjutants of the party member Hess who alone had any knowledge of these flights and who contrary to the Fuehrer's orders of which they were fully aware either did not prevent or failed to report these flights. In these circumstances, it must be considered that the party member Hess either jumped out of his plane or met with an accident."

Last month Hess was reported to have flown to Spain with a message for Gen. Franco. Later an official denial that he was actually visiting Spain was issued but it did not say that he had not been there. Twelve days ago, Hess was at the Nazi Brown House in Munich receiving Vice-Admiral Salvador Merino, the Spanish Minister of Marine and leader of the Spanish Flangist syndicate.

Wheels Within Axis

TOKYO, May 5.

"Japan could not look on with folded arms in the event of a German-Soviet agreement granting Russia "a free hand" in Asia in return for larger Soviet supplies to Germany," declares a frontier editorial article in the "Kokumin" Japanese army organ to-day.

Japan, says the paper, must guard against unilateral and opportunist territorial transfers or transfer of hegemony by any foreign power or combination of foreign powers before the fundamental conditions for a new world order have been realised. The widely read political commentator Kiyosawa writing in 'Chugai-shoggyo' a leading commercial daily paper, says "common sense makes it clear that if the European war drags on, the United States will join Britain."—Reuter.

IRAQ NOT ON AIR IN BERLIN

CAIRO, May 12.

The Berlin and Bari radio stations, which during the past week devoted their six daily transmissions in Arabic almost entirely to the Iraqi rebellion, last Sunday night abruptly ceased all reference to the Iraqi usurper Rashid Ali and confined themselves merely to reading a rebel 'communique.' Well-informed persons here express the opinion that Hitler cannot tolerate an unsuccessful Quisling.—Reuter.

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Story Behind Developments

Rashid Ali's Clash With Bekr Sidky

LONDON, May 6.

The "Manchester Guardian's" Cairo correspondent cabled on May 5:

Factual news from Iraq remains scanty, but developments there have not taken those who follow Middle East politics by surprise, and it is believed that with firm handling the present incident may be soon dealt with. Rashid Ali and his military clique have a certain following, but they are by no means in a majority. It is largely a matter of Axis propaganda which has been rife throughout the Middle East for a long time and is bearing fruit as the German forces draw nearer.

As for Rashid Ali's part in this, there is an interesting story how originally he clashed with Bekr Sidky when the latter, who was suspected of being pro-German, started his "coup d'etat." Having failed to seduce the army, which then supported Bekr Sidky. Rashid Ali disappeared to Turkey nursing his grievances. The Germans thought he would be a useful counter and events helped them for after the murder of Bekr Sidky they facilitated his return to Iraq with plentiful funds But he has not been their only agent, and the fact that Iraq never broke off relations with Italy as she had done with Germany enabled Axis propaganda to be continued both by Italians and German agents with Italian passports. Berlin being the directing force.

REACTION IN OTHER ARAB COUNTRIES

King Ibn Saud Deeply Concerned Over Iraq

LONDON, May 7.

"The Times" in an editorial on May 6 wrote: In Turkey and Egypt this act of Iraqi treachery has made the worst possible impression on public opinion. There is reason to believe that our friend King Abdul Aziz Ibn Saud, King of Hejaz and Nejd, is deeply concerned by the latest developments in this part of the Arab world.

The Turkish Government, who signed the Saadabad Pact with Iraq, Iran and Afghanistan in 1936 are naturally anxious regarding the movement, which might threaten them with encirclement and have consequently offered us their good offices as mediators.

It is understood that the British Government have given the only reply possible in the present circumstances..... viz., the Iraqi troops attacking our aerodrome at Habbaniya must be withdrawn before the question can even be discussed.

Meanwhile there is nothing to show that the betrayal of their ally by Iraqi militarists has had any disturbing effect on most of the Arab countries of the Near and Middle East. There is no clear news of its effect in Syria.

Palestine appears to be quiet. Emir Abdullah of Transjordan has come to the assistance of his nephew, the Regent Abdul Ilah of Iraq who was forced to flee from Baghdad by the recent military revolution and is now the Emir's guest in Amman, as are other Iraqi ex-Ministers and parliamentary leaders.

The small Arab protectorates on the shores of the Persian Gulf and the independent Sultan of Muscat have shown no signs of sympathy with the revolutionaries.

HOW RASHID PLANNED

LONDON, May 5.

A special Correspondent of the "News Chronicle" cabled from Cairo on May 4:

There are many signs that Rashid Ali planned his revolt in the best back-stabbing traditions weeks ago in the closest co-operation with the Germans and Italians.

The German Legation was actually forced to leave Baghdad over a year previously, but Iraq never broke off relations with Italy and the Italians carried on plans on behalf of the Axis.

Axis terror films like that showing the obliteration of Warsaw, flowed into the country.

The Germans and Italians under cover of archaeological expeditions, tourists and diplomats, arrived via Turkey.

A close link was established with the Italian Armistice Commission in Syria which for the last two weeks has grown markedly more truculent. The network has spread from Basra to Mosul.

It is known that when Rashid Ali discovered that the numbers of British troops entering the country exceeded the estimates he had sent to Germany, he was urged to strike immediately under promise of Nazi help which, apart from saboteurs, still has not arrived.

Our sea routes are totally unaffected by the Iraqi revolt. The Persian Gulf is ours together with access to Bahrein and the Arabian oilfields. Only a section of the Iraqis, mostly the regular army, is in revolt. They are led by four notorious generals who have been in more or less open alliance with the Axis for months past, in addition to which they have been intriguing against the throne.

Among others joining the revolt are the Grand Mufti who fled to Baghdad after his failure against the British in Palestine. He has been openly intriguing with anti-British elements in Iraq for the last year.

Syria is standing more than ever in the key position at present fermenting with two serious strikes and a series of bread riots.

General Weygand's old regular army is in a state of alertness at its bases at Aleppo, Homs, Beirut and Damascus.

Fate Of War Depends On Defence Of Egypt

Britain Must Learn From Past 2 Years & Act Vigorously In Iraq

LONDON, May 5.

The "Manchester Guardian", in a leader on Iraq, writes:

It is satisfactory that we have control of Basra which is some 40 miles from Abadan, an Iranian port on the Persian Gulf.

Iran's production of oil in 1938 was 10,000,000 tons, most of which was refined at Abadan, and it was almost entirely consumed in the Empire. Iraq's production in the same year was 4,000,000 tons, three quarters of which went to France—one half, however, via the port of Haifa in Palestine.

Rashid Ali's acting for Germany and Italy is the result of some years of careful encouragement, but it is not yet clear whether he has Iraq's people behind him.

If we can act vigorously, which will not be easy with so much on our hands, Rashid Ali may find he has played traitor too soon.

Germany is at the moment too far away to help him much, though if we imgine she will not try to leap the distance to this promising field we will again proclaim ourselves to have learnt nothing in two years.

The loss of the Iraq oil supply alone would not affect us deeply, though gaining it would be much to Hitler's advantage. But to see the disturbance in Iraq as Hitler's trying to get oil is too simple. It is just a small part of his great design, which is to conquer Egypt and Suez and drive us out of the Mediterranean.

All the oil in Iraq would not avail Hitler if he still left us in that sea, for we should stop his getting it home. But the main purpose of Rashid Ali's hostility is to divert forces which we badly need in Egypt, for because of its place in our Middle East position, the disorder in Iraq enforces some diversion on us.

This Hitler believes will help him towards his main scheme, which we can be sure he will be backing further by transferring hundreds of aircraft released by the end of the Balkan war to plague Egypt.

Only if Alexandria fell would the Mosul oilfields shine out as great prize for Hitler; if the fleet were driven away the Germans would be able, after overcoming difficulties like finding enough tankers, to carry the oil of Iraq back to Trieste and Germany.

Then the blockade on which we rely for shortening the war would be broken and we should have to consider a future far different from that which faces us now.

All hangs on the successful defence of Egypt, and those who declare that this has small importance beside the Battle of the Atlantic and the defence of Britain do the Commonwealth's cause poor service indeed.

Hitler will of course want to give Rashid Ali all the aid in his power. It should of course be impossible for the Germans, in the face of our fleet and hold over Crete and Cyprus, to get many troops to Syria or fly many to Iraq. But knots of Germans would give the Iraqis a valuable stiffening and Hitler will try to get them there.

We must check his design by acting vigorously with all the strength we can assemble. We must free ourselves for this fight for Egypt on which the whole issue of the war may hang.

OIL AND SUEZ GERMANS' OBJECTIVES

What Do They Seek From Russia?

LONDON: May 7.

"The Times" diplomatic correspondent comments:—

From several countries come reports that German agents having spread rumours about an imminent invasion of Russia are now hedging, even denying any plan. On the other hand, Hitler's praise of Hungary and Rumania in his speech on May 4 may have sounded a little ominous to Moscow. On the whole it is still safer to assume that Germany is trying to frighten the Soviet Union into giving new economic concessions rather than preparing for an immediate attack.

In the Mediterranean the Germans are still passing supplies across the narrow to Tripoli, but they run heavy risks from the British navy and air force. Probably the Germans turn more and more to Alexander's route to the deserts, which have gained new value since Alexander's day because of their oil.

Oil and Suez are their obvious objectives. Two forces can bar the way: British arms and Turkish independence.

MINISTRY OF WAR TRANSPORT

CALCUTTA, May 12.

The following cable has been received from the Ministry of Shipping in London by their representative in India, Burma and Ceylon, Sir George Campbell:—

"As from to-day (May 10), the Ministry of Shipping becomes the Ministry of War Transport. All actions in future on behalf of the Minister or the Ministry must be in the name of the Minister of War Transport or the Ministry of War Transport."

Sir George Campbell, who was so long representative of the Ministry of Shipping, will now be designated as representative of the Ministry of War Transport in India, Burma and Ceylon.—A. P.

TWO EMPLOYERS FINED R?. 60 EACH.

During the week ending May 10, the following cases were decided under the Shops and Establishments Act:—

Khundabux Rahimbux, Prop. of the Kaji Hair Cutting Saloon at Sandhurst Rd. was placed before Mr. I. S. Haji, Presidency Magistrate, 6th Court for not making entries in the registers of employment, for not keeping a visit book and for keeping his saloon open after 9 p.m and was fined Rs. 22.

Sombhai Shivabhai of the Rokadiya Hindu Hotel was placed in the same Court for employing four young persons after 7 p.m. for not making entries in the register of employment from day to day and for not maintaining a visit-book and was fined Rs. 25.

The same Magistrate convicted Popatlal Madhoji, a bidi-merchant, at Argyle Rd. for not displaying a holiday notice, not maintaining a visit-book and for not making entries in the register of employment from day to day and was fined Rs. 15.

Mohomed Hussein Panwalla of Tardev was convicted by Mr. D. S. Babrekar for keeping his shop open after 9 p.m. and for not maintaining a visit-book was fined Rs 7.

Abbas Mohomed Irani of Cafe George, Govalia Tank, was placed before the same Magistrate for not maintaining registers under the Act and fined Rs. 10

K. S. Shroff, Prop. of the Carter Manufacturing Company was placed before Mr. Haji for not maintaining a visit-book and a copy of the extract of the Act and for not displaying a holiday notice and was fined Rs. 60.

Lakhamsi Ladha Sethiya, owner of a grain and provision shop at Victoria Garden Rd. was fined by the same Magistrate to pay Rs. 60 for contravening the same provisions as above.

BARODA, May 12.—In order to provide adequate financial aid to poor Muslim students studying in the English Schools, the Baroda Government have sanctioned several scholarships ranging from Rs. 6 to Rs. 10 per mensem.

KACHRU TO REPORT ON LABOUR SITUATION IN INDORE

(From Our Correspondent)
KHANDWA, (By Mail)

Mr. Dwarka Nath Kachru, who was deputed by Sjt. Jainarain Vyas, General Secretary All-India States' Peoples' Conference, to study the situation in Indore, left Indore this evening for Bombay to report the situation to the General Secretary.

Mr. Kachru stayed in Indore for three days during his stay there, he was fully acquainted with the present situation and specially the labour situation by the Indore Rajya Praja Mandal.

Many more people also met Mr. Kachru and among those who called on was also the D I G. of the Indore police, who was closetted with him for about 45 minutes and acquainted him with the official version of the situation. Mr. Kachru's impression about the present situation in Indore will shortly be released to the press by the General Secretary.

PARTY TO DR. S. K. MURANJAN

Members of the Rationalist Association of India entertained Dr. S. K. Muranjan at tea at the residence of Dr. C. L. D'Avoine on Sunday last. A large number of ladies and gentlemen were present. Among them were Dr. A. S. Erulkar, President of the Association, Mrs. Muranjan, Dr. S. B. Gadgil, Mr. & Mrs. Ryshan Mohomed, Miss Irene D'Avoine, Dr. S. Hurry, Mr. Rufus Hurry, Mr. and Mrs. G Hurry, Miss C. Seldon, Mr. Eugene D'Avoine and many others.

Mr. Abraham Solomon in a brief speech congratulated Dr. Muranjan on behalf of the Association and those present on his being awarded the D.Sc. Degree by the University of London. It was a matter of pride to all rationalists to know that one who is a keen and enthusiastic rationalist and a member of the Executive Committee of the R. A. I. should be the recepient of this well deserved honour.

Dr. Muranjan replying thanked the Association and those present for the gesture of appreciation.

PLAYGROUND NEEDED IN PAREL AREA

The Bhimraj Sporting Club celebrated its annual social gathering yesterday in the Haffkine Institute when Dr. B. R. Ambedkar presided. Col. Sokhey, Director of the Haffkine Institute, was also present.

At the outset Subedar-Major Thappa presented the members of the cricket and hockey teams to the president and among these being the well-known Tambe and Thappa brothers, Vaidya and Mohamed Ali Irani.

Mr. S. L. Wadvalkar read the report of the club for the past eight years. It stated that the club had been taking part in the Aga Khan, Jepson and Georgean Tournaments regularly for the past eight years and once succeeded in carrying away the Georgean Tournament Cup.

Subedar Major Thappa said that the club possessed excellent sporting talent but suffered from the heavy handicap of not having any convenient playground.

He urged on Dr. Ambedkar to see the municipal authorities in this connection and to secure a good playgrund for the club.

The playground at Parel was fully occupied by other teams. That at Naigaum chawls was taken up by the Welfare Centre. There were no other playgrounds in the locality.

It was scandalous, he said, that this should be the case, for there was any amount of open space yet available ,and the municipality shuld make arrangements for sufficient number of playgrounds before the area was fully covered up with buildings.

Mr. T. Y. Mohite, General Secretary of the Club thanked the president, Col. Sokhey and other guests.

The gathering was then treated to light refreshments

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TUESDAY, MAY 13

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

5 p.m. Bhajans. 5-15 Hanuman Prasad. 5-30 Dulari Bai. 5-45 Munni. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Special announcements. 6-15 Afzal Husain." 6-30 B. K. Deodhar. 6-50 M. Siddiq. 7 Hanuman Prasad. 7-15 Jawab Men. 7-30 Munni. 7-40 B. R Deodhar. Vocal music. 8 Fareb i Rang : Feature in Hindustani. 8-15 For villagers only. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 Afzal Husain. 10 Dulari Bai. 10-15 Hanuman Prasad. 10-30 Munni. 10-45 News in English.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

7-30 a.m. K. R. Patwardhan. 7-45 Gangu Bai. 8-5 News in Marathi. 8-15 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Allah Rakha Bai. 8-40 News in Hindustani. 8-50 News in English. 9 A I R Trio. 9-10 Khayal in Bhairaon. 9-25 Thumri Bhairvin. 12-30 p.m. Sindhi Sangit. 12-45 Marathi songs. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 Nritya Sangit. 1-10 Ghazals. 1-20 Mutual Understanding. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 Lunch hour music. 5 Tomorrow. 5-5 Zahur Raja. 5-15 D. Dani. 5-25 News in Marathi. 5-30 News in Gujarati. 5-35 Gangu Bai. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 K. K. Patwardhan. 6-25 Naghma on Sarinda. 6-30 Children's half-hour (Gujarati). 7 to 7-15 I was in Germany : Marathi talk by Dr. R. N. Dandekar. 7-25 Local news and announcements. 7-30 Master Amritlal. 7-45 Jaltarang solo. 7-55 News in Marathi 8-10 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Topic of the day. 8-30 Frankly Speaking. 4 ; From a Litigant to a Lawyer. 8-45 to 9 Indian Recorded Music. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C news relay. 10 Antoinette Trindade : Mezzo-Soprano. 10-10 Jascha Heifetz : Violin. 10-20 Dunstan Roberts : Bass. 10-30 A I R Nonette.

Bombay II—Programme

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

7-30 to 8-5 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 8-5 Gangu Bai. 8-15 Flute recital. 8-25 to 8-40 As in Bombay 1. 8-40 Songs from the Stage. 8-50 Mira Bai Bhajan. 9 to 9-30 As in Bombay 1.

31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

12-30 to 12-57 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 12-57 Rajeshwari Bai. 1 to 1-30 As in Bombay 1. 1-30 Musical interlude. 1-35 to 2-25 As in Bombay 1.

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

5 to 5-25 As in Bombay 1. 5-25 Sitar and Sarangi. 5-35 to 6 As in Bombay 1. 6 Songs from "Raj Nartaki" 6-10 to 7-15 As in Bombay 1. 7-15 Interval.

61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 to 7-55 As in Bombay 1. 7-55 Marathi Pad. 8-5 Geet. 8-15 Chorus. 8-25 to 9 As in Bombay 1. 9 The Bombay Radio Orchestra. 9-10 Hari Bhajan-Sukhari. 9-20 Listeners' letters. 9-35 Gangu Bai. 10-35 Juthika Roy.

Calcutta I—Programme

(Add 24 minutes to all timings for Calcutta time).

370.4 metres (810 kc/s)

5 p.m. For the Children. 5-45 News in Bengali. 5-50 Bhagabat Ch. Banerjee. 6 News in English. 6-5 Leela Bose. 6-20 London Transcription records. 7 Air Raid Precautions, 2 : Talk by Controller of A.R.P., Bengal. 7-20 Bhagabat Ch. Banerjee. 7-30 Duet Song. 7-40 Suren Pal : Mandolin solo. 7-45 Clock Mania : Talk in Bengali. 8 Bimal Bhusan Mukerjee. 8-20 Ali Ahmed Khan : Sitar recital. 8-40 Announcements in Bengali. 8-45 News in Bengali. 9 Sheila Sarkar. 9-15 Announcements in English. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C news relay. 10 Lalit Mohon Mukerjee.

B. B. C. Programme

(3-50 a.m. to 10-5 : 25.53m. and 31.32m.; 4-25 p.m. to 8-30 : 16.84m.; 4-25 to 10 : 19.82m.; 8-30 to 10 : 25.53m.).

16-25 London calling. 16-30 News. 16-45 Questions of Hour. 17-00 Reginald King. Quartet. 17-40 Service. 17-45 Theatre Orch. 18-15 Mark Hambourg : Piano. 18-30 News by Maj. A. Murray. 18-45 Variety Starlight. 19-00 Front Line Family. 19-15 Gramophone. 19-25 London Calling. 19-30 Scots Abroad : Talk by John R. Allan. 19-45 Fred Hartley (Piano) George Melachrino. 20-00 Feature : Poland in Scotland. 20-30 Talk : Inside Nazi Mind. 20-45 Music of Britain. 21-30 News. 21-45 Questions of Hour. 21-00 Ambrose Orchestra.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE

G. I. P. Railway.

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Madras Mail	6-00	22-00
Peshawar Express	6-15	22-45
Calcutta Mail via Nagpur	8-55	18-10
Calcutta Mail via Chhoki	9-30	20-15
Madras Express	10-15	14-30
Poona Mail	10-30	17-30
Punjab Mail	11-30	17-40
Nagpur Express	15-00	21-00
Poona Express	19-30	08-05
Allahabad Express	20-25	07-00
Poona Fast Passenger	21-45	12-10

B. B. & C. I. Railway.

(Arrivals at and Departures from Bombay Central.)

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5-35	13-05
Delhi Express	6-00	22-15
Gujarat Mail	7-25	22-00
Kathiawar Mail	6-50	21-30
Frontier Mail	8-15	21-15
	(Mon)	(Sat)
The Flying Ranee, Bulsar	*9-15	15-35
The Flying Ranee, Surat	*9-48	15-10
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Monday)	10-58	00-00
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Saturday)	00-00	18-05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14-15	22-30
Kathiawar Express	19-05	8-45
Baroda Passenger	20-48	9-00

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, these trains will run on Tuesday

ALLEGED ASSAULT ON C. I. D. WATCHER

Case Against Bose Adjourned Till May 26

CALCUTTA, May 12.

A charge of wrongful confinement of a C. I. D. watcher was framed to-day by Mr. H. K. Gupta, Additional District Magistrate at Alipore, against Mr Satish Chandra Bose, a councillor of the Calcutta Corporation and the eldest brother of Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose, Ganesh Chandra Bose, the son of the first accused, and Ranjit Bose, his nephew. A further charge of assault on the watcher was framed against the second and the third accused.

All the accused pleaded not guilty and the hearing was adjourned till May 26.—A. P.

MADRAS, May 12.—Twenty-four Harijan group marriages were celebrated simultaneously in the Gokulam Harijan Colony yesterday and were conducted in accordance with strict Hindu rites.

Cotton Reached Highest Level In N. Y. Since July 1937

SHARP EXPANSION IN TEXTILE ACTIVITY

South Expects Increased Acreage

Bombay : May 12.

New York cotton reached the highest level since July 1937 on loan developments and a sharp expansion in textile activity. Leading spot interests were active scale-up sellers against equities with 80 per cent of Oklahama loan cotton reported sold. The South expects increased acreage notably in Central Belt if Congress enacts higher loan, but labour shortage is affecting sowing in Mississippi and North-East April Fertilizer sales in eight States totalled 1,164,000 tons compared with 9,62,000 tons last year. Cotton goods advanced 1/8 to 1/4 cent per yard with buying extending to the end of the year. Irregularity is expected pending the loan out come.

NEW YORK MARKET

The New York cotton futures market opened firm at a rise of 12 pts in July at 12.47 on continuation of active trade buying, Mill and speculative buying. Then the market reacted and declined to 3 pts. high at 12.38, partially on renewed spot house selling and week-end profit-taking on technical considerations. Finally the market improved on local covering and closed steady at a rise of 7 points at 12.42. Spot cotton price was 4 pts up at 12.63 cents per lb

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

New Orleans cotton futures market was firm and advanced on increased prospects of a higher loan rate and sustained activity in textiles closed firm at a rise of 10 to 12 pts. Spot cotton price was 10 pts up at 12.28 cents per lb.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York July highest 12.47+12 (10 a.m.) Lowest 12.38+03 (11-01 a.m.)

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends :—

New York.—General buying on likelihood 85 pper cent loan. Clayton principal seller against equities. Looks eventually higher.

BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay : May 12.

To-day the Forward session of the Share Bazar was closed owing to Valan. In the ready market there was no activity. Prices fluctuated within a very narrow range. Turnover was very small.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay : May 12.

LONDON—
Banks buying 90 days/St. 1/6 7/32 two months.
Banks buying 90 days/St. 1/6 1/4 three months.
Banks buying 90 days/St. 1/6 9/32 four months.
B. C. RATES—
T T 1/5 29/32; D D 1/5 29/32
Banks selling T T 1/5 15/16; D D 1/5 15/16
Banks buying T T 1/6d; D D 1/6 3/32
NEW YORK—
Ex-rates Dol 4.02 1/2 3 1/2
Banks selling T T Rs. 333 1/4; D D Rs. 333 1/4
Banks buying T T Rs. 330; D D Rs. 328 1/2
MONTREAL—
Ex-rates Dol 4,43/47
Banks selling T T Rs 303; D D Rs. 304
Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4; D D Rs. 296 1/4
JAVA—
Ex-rates Gld 7.58/62
Banks selling T T Gld 55 3/4; D D Gld 56
Banks buying T T Gld 57 1/2; D D Gld 57 1/2
JAPAN—
Ex-rates Sh 1/2 1/2
Banks selling T T Rs. 81 1/2; D D Rs. 81½
Banks buying T T Rs. 77 1/4
BERNE—
Ex-rates Fcs 17.30/40
Banks selling T T Fcs 126 3/4; D D Fcs 126 3/4
Banks buying T T Fcs 128; D D Fcs 128
STOCKHOLM—
Ex-rates K 16.85/95
Banks selling T T K 123; D D K 123
Banks buying T T K 128; D D K 128
SINGAPORE—
Ex-rates Sh 2/4 5/32 7/32
Banks selling T T Rs. 158; D D Rs. 158
Banks buying T T Rs. 155; D D Rs. 155
HONGKONG—
Ex-rates Sh 1/3 1/32
Banks selling T T Rs. 85 1/4; D D 84 1/2
Bank buying T T Rs. 81 1/2; D D Rs. 81½
SHANGHAI—
Ex-rates Sh 0/3 7/16
Banks selling T T Rs. 20; D D Rs. 19.
Banks buying T T Rs. 17; D D Rs. 17
MEXICO—
Ex-rates Pes 19.5 21.5
Banks selling T T Rs. 67.27; D D Rs. 66.27
Banks buying T T Rs. 63.04; D D Rs. 62.04
LISBON—
Ex-rates Esc 99.80 100.20
Banks selling T T Esc 7.35; D D Esc 7.35
Banks buying T T Esc 7.55; D D Esc 7.55
NEW YORK—
Ex-rates Dol 4.03 1/4
JAPAN—
Banks buying 60 days 76 1/2
Tone of Sterling Exchange :—Steady.
Gold £8/8/0 Ready
New York Silver 34 3/4
London Silver 23 1/2 Ready; 23 1/2 Forward
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/4 per cent.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money :—Call 1/4 per cent.
1 to 3 months 1/2 per cent.
6 months 3/4 per cent.
Tone :—Money market :—Easy.

Hapur Wheat Market

HAPUR : May 9.

But for a slightly bearish feeling both at the beginning and at the end of the session, the local wheat market remained quite steady during the week under review. The main steadying factors were disappointing threshing results encouraging hopes of a smaller outturn, steady exporters' demand, good speculative activity and higher oversea cables. The deadlock which continues in the Punjab restricted the volume of business but could not keep the spirits dormant. Higher cotton advices, definite shortage of rice supplies throughout the country pointing to increase in the consumption of wheat and expectations of an early settlement being reached in the Punjab controversy were other supporting factors. The war is daily extending towards the East and nearing our shores. The market is bound to be influenced from day-to-day on war reports and the future is thus quite dark. Meantime there is a distinct tone of optimism as compared with a fortnight before.

On Friday last (May 2) Jeth had closed at 3/0/13. On Saturday the sentiment was very quiet and there were no important fluctuations. On Sunday the market opened at 3/0/3, but at one stage rose 3/0/11. For the next two days highest daily touched 3/0/11, but the lowest did not fall below 3/0/7. On Wednesday the market after a quiet opening got strength from the reports that a settlement in the Punjab deadlock was in sight. Jeth rose to 3/1/6. This was maintained till last evening when there market showed signs of wearing down. Jeth has presently declined to 3/0/10. Bhadon is quoted at 3/1/6.

Arrivals ranged between 12 to 15 thousand Mds. daily and the present stock is put at about 375 khattis. Reports from the interior indicate that the threshing results are rather disappointing and that the quality is rather inferior.

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay : May 12.

Fine White Java Sugar per cwt—
From Bond Rs. 10/8
Shipment March Rs. 9/6 F.B.H.
Shipment May/June Rs. 9/5 F.B.H.
Indian Sugars Ready—
Ready ordinary Rs. 14/2 to 14/11.
Ready large grain Rs. 14/12 to 15.
Tone :—Steady.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, May 12.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/1852 Loan 97-7
3 1/2 per cent G P Notes 95-7
3 per cent 1941 Bonds 100-6
3 per cent 1951/54 Bonds 99-10
3 per cent 1963/65 Loan 94-6
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 102-7
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan 108-5
4 per cent 1943 Bonds 104-4
3 per cent War Bonds 101-12
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan 112-12

TAX FREE LOANS

5 per cent 1945/55 Loan 110-14
4 per cent 1963/65 Mysore 115
5 per cent 1955 Mysore 125

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B P T 1941 108
4 per cent M Deb 1974 107-8
5 per cent M Deb 1959 115-8
6 per cent M Deb 1954 127
6 per cent K P T 1956 127

Tone :—Firm

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay : May 12.

On Saturday London Gold market was closed. Dollar/Sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 1/4 at New York. On Saturday London Silver market was closed New York spot silver price was 34 3/4 cents and Shanghai was quoted at 3 1/8.

London/Bombay spot Silver parity was Rs. 62/10/3, while forward parity was Rs 62-10 3. The local silver market was steady. There was limited demand. Prices fluctuated within a narrow range. Gold prices were easy.

Quotations were as under : Gold Silver

Ready	Rs. 42	2 0	62 10 0
Vaishakh	Rs. 42	2 6	62 11 0
Jaith	Rs. 42	3 0	62 12 0

Sovereigns : Rs. 28/10.

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS.

Bombay : May 12.

Approx. Quotations.	Ready
Bengal Fine	125/28
Berar	168/61
C. P. 1	190/92
C. P. 2	165/68
Khandesh	130/42
Muglai	145/48
Broach	216/26
Punjab S G 289F	356/66
Punjab R G 289F	331/36
Punjab R G 4F	271/78

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay : May 12.

RECEIPTS INTO BOM. OF IND. COTTON In full-pressed bales. 10-5-41.

	Since 1st Septr. This year.	Last year
Khandesh	97,680	54,654
Central India	135,315	107,507
Barsi and Nagar 615	109,437	111,829
Hyderabad/Gaorani 171	42,284	46,894
Berar 264	357,410	310,860
Central Provinces 122	75,321	74,897
Total Oomras 1,772	817,447	706,641
Dholeras 291	82,964	79,595
N.-W. Provinces	1,306	25,490
Rajputana	5,496	32,445
Sind-Punjab	504,122	336,073
Broach 2,433	216,806	396,162
Coompta & Dharwar 1,385	79,858	31,277
Westerns-Northerns 689	70,394	26,696
Cocanada	239	86
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	2,615	1,355
Total 6,570	1,781,241	1,635,820
Arrived by road to 8th May 1941	288,133	266,387

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay : May 12.

	Extra Spr.	fine.	Sup.	Fine.	F. G.	Good
M G Bengal U P	131	129	127	125		
M G Punjab	131	129	127	125		
M G Rajputana	138	136	134	132		
M G Oomra No. 3	169	166	163	160		...
M G C. P. No. 1	201	198	195	192		...
M G C. P. No. 2	179	176	173	179		...
M G Broach No. 2	263	260	257	254		
M G Punjab/American	306	303	300	297		
M G Surat	374	371	368	55		
M G Rajpipla	369	366	363	360		
M G Navsari	384	381	378	375		

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS.

Bombay : May 12.

DOUBLE OPTION PREMIUMS

Wheat September	0 7 0
Linseed September	0 10 0
Groundnut August	2 14 0
Castorseed September	3 14 0
Cottonseed September	1 12 0
Silver 2nd Settlement	0 12 0
Gold 2nd Settlement	0 8 6

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES

	1940/41	1939/40
F. P. Bales.		
Receipts to date 10-5-41	3572000	7316000
Receipts yesterday 10-5-41	1000	4000
Export to date 10-5-41	910000	5978000
Stock at Ports 9-5-41	3345000	2631000
Stock at interior towns do.	2748000	2355000
Stock at Liverpool 9-5-41		
Visible Supply 9-5-41		
Quantity in sight 9-5-41	10668000	12883000
Quantity out of sight 9-5-41		8838000

PEPPER & GINGER.

Bombay : May 12.

The Pepper and Ginger Merchants' Association, Ltd. :—

	Rs.	as.	ps.
Pepper ready Alleppey per candy	84	0	0
Pepper Jeth Sud 15 per candy	84	0	0
Pepper Bhadarva Sud 15 per candy	87	0	0
Ginger bleached ready per cwt	17	0	0

Bombay Yarn Quotations

Bombay : May 12.

Yarn No.	June	August	October
6 1/2s.	136	137	138
10 1/2s.	147	148	149
20 1/2s.	218 1/2	220 1/2	222
40s.	323	325	326

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay : May 12.

Sentiment being depressed the market opened lower and moved within narrow limit with an undecided tone. Tata Deferreds opened Rs. 10 lower at 1715 and moved around that rate closing finally at 1710. Tata Ordinaries opened at 358 and declined to 356/8 but finished at 357. Bombay Dyeings were quoted at 970. Indian Irons were somewhat quiet at 28/2.

The following were the important quotations on the Exchange to-day :—

Tata Deferreds (1725) 1715 12/8 15 10
Tata Ordinaries (360) 358 57 58 56/8 57

Tata Ordinary 357, Tata Deferred 1710, Indian Iron 28/2, Bombay Dyeing 970, Century 362/8, Central India 270, Kohinoor 378/12, Associated Cement 132 Bombay Burma 417/8, Scindia Steam 12, Tata Hydro 172/8, Reserve Bank 102, Imperial Bank F P 1532/8, Central Bank 41/10, Bank of India 138/8, 3 1/2 per cent Paper 95/6.

DELIVERY OF SHARES

Tata Ordinaries 240, Tata Deferreds 42. Indian Irons 400, Bengal Steel Corporations 500, Bombay Dyeings 26 Simplexes 30, Associated Cements 120.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay : May 12.

Despite the advance of 7 pts in New York cotton futures the local market opened easy at a rate of Rs. 226/8 for July/August delivery and Rs. 213 for new April/May. Prices improved on some scattered buying to Rs. 227/8 for July/August delivery but there was a reluctance to follow the advance, which the general selling checked and prices declined to Rs. 225/8 for July/August. Operators are awaiting developments in old April/May position. Old April/May opened at Rs. 253 and after advancing to Rs. 255/8 declined to Rs. 254/8. New April/May after advancing to Rs. 214/8 declined to Rs. 212/8 at 1-30 p.m. At this level market was steady. Later on there was scattered buying by jobbers and prices advanced to Rs. 229/8 for July/August and Rs. 215 for new Broach April/May. At 5 p.m rates were as under :—

Broach April/May 1941	Rs. 261/8
Broach July/August	Rs. 229/0
Broach April/May 1942	Rs. 214/0
Oomra—	
Oomra May	Rs. 162/12
Oomra July	Rs. 164/4
Oomra Dec/January	Rs. 169/4
Bengal May	Rs. 125/8
Bengal July	Rs 127/12
Bengal Dec/January	Rs. 134/4

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay : May 12.

	Rs.	as.	ps.
Castorseeds May—			
Opening	29	14	0
Highest	30	0	0
Lowest	29	12	0
Closing	30	0	0
Cottonseeds May—			
Opening	19	14	6
Highest	20	0	0
Lowest	19	13	0
Closing	19	15	0
Groundnuts May—			
Opening	27	7	0
Highest	27	8	0
Lowest	27	2	0
Closing	27	7	0
Groundnuts August—			
Opening	29	1	6
Highest	29	4	3
Lowest	28	14	6
Closing	29	3	3
Castorseeds September—			
Opening	31	10	0
Highest	31	13	0
Lowest	31	10	0
Closing	31	12	0
Cottonseeds September—			
Opening	20	11	9
Highest	20	12	6
Lowest	20	10	9
Closing	20	12	6

BOMBAY METALS

Bombay : May 12.

METAL MARKET QUOTATIONS

Yellow metal sheet	Rs. 72/0
Copper sheets	Rs. 79/8

IMPORTS

Bombay, May 12

392 cases cotton cord twine; 163 cases steel wood screws; 125 cases bare copper wire; 34 cases steel bars; 60 cases tinned hams; 50 cases steel nails; 63 cases steel angles; 40 cases wire nails; 63 cases bullock nails; 107 cases iron tacks; 50 cases bullock nails; 107 cases batteries and parts; 40 cases raw stock films; 69 cases steel hinges; 247 cases brass rods; 900 cases beer; 100 cases ale; 381 cases cud meat; 584 cases cheese; 273 cases soap; 100 cases stout; 40 cases sausages; 46 cases show cards; 840 cases milk powder; 200 cases d'cocoanut; 65 cases wine; 35 cases honey; 1089 cases brandy; 149 cases desserts; 67 cases bacon; 576 cases jams; 100 bags stearic acid; 17273 bags copra; 400 bags mineral earth; 100 bags gum; 290 bags bolts and nuts; 150 pkgs perfumery materials; 348 pkgs dyestuffs, paints varnish etc; 4678 pkgs auto and auto truck parts; 5836 ise auto wheels; 78 crtns elect fans; 500 crtns welding rods; 60 bundles m s angles; 70 bales cotton fents and remnants; 48 rolls fencing wire; 32 bs tissue paper; 80 nos. old empty drums; 60 ctns sanitary pads; 100 bales paper bag linings; 59 bundles skins; 56 bales waste paper; 508 bales grey cotton yarn; 317 bales cone yarn; 117 cyl cocoanut oil; 175 crtns paper pads; 163 cases cud fruits; 44 ctns radio receivers; 1289 casks tallow; 335 bales wool tops; 100 pkgs prunes; 125 bbls white cement.

EXPORTS

17 bales sheep skin tanned M R Shaffi and Co; 200 bales raw cotton Anderson, Clayton and Co; 495 bales raw cotton G K Kaisha Ltd; 200 bales raw cotton Vasanjee Moraraee; 909 bales raw cotton Ramnarain Sons Ltd; 500 bales raw cotton Kotak and Co; 36 casks mango slices in brine Abdulrak Patwe and Co; 200 bales raw cotton B Shah and Co; 100 bales raw cotton Visram Ladha and Co; 100 bales raw cotton G Dossa and Co; 100 bales raw cotton Fatehsinhji G P Mfg Co Ltd; 86 bags dry ginger Eastern Export Co; 40 bags commin seed Eastern Export Co; 160 bags corriander seeds Eastern Export Co; 200 bales raw cotton C Jethabhai and Co; 52 casks mango slice in brine Poonjiaji and Co; 100 bales raw cotton The Podar Trading Co Ltd; 100 bales raw cotton J M Dave and Co; 200 bales raw cotton N Fatchally and Co; 200 bales raw cotton Khimji Poonja and Co; 800 bales raw cotton Konishi and Co (India) Ltd; 1004 bags myrabollam P Mathradas and Co Ltd; 5864 bags linseed Ralli Bros Ltd; 6150 bales raw cotton T M Kaisha Ltd, 200 bales raw cotton Nissho Co Ltd; 40 bags turmeric E Manji and Co; 20 bags dry ginger E Manji and Co; 20 bags capsicums E Manji and Co; 135 bags corriander seed E Manji and Co; 30 bags fenugreak seed E Manji and Co; 20 bags dry ginger A H Esmail; 20 bags capsicums A H Esmail; 27 bags corriander seed A H Esmail.

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING

DATED 12/5/1941

At 8-7 a.m local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 87.1 deg. F. a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 30.01 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.79 inches.

For correction of ships' instruments please subtract from the above official barometer reading 0.001" for every foot of elevation of the instrument above mean sea level.

TURKISH PRESS ON IRAQ INCIDENTS

LONDON, May 7.

Rashid Ali, in the view of the Turkish Press, has betrayed the true interests of his country. The "Yeni Sabah", urging that the people of Iraq should turn out their present leaders, reminds the Iraqians that they owe their independence to Britain. If the British had wished, says the newspaper, they could have made Iraq a colony. "The maintenance of the lines of communication between Turkey and Basra," the "Yeni Sabah" continues, "is a life and death question for the British, who could never surrender to the Germans as the Iraq army has done."

The "Vatan" declares : "The men who today boast of being the leaders of Iraq are responsible for the present events. Owing to their hatred of England they have betrayed the cause of Iraq and of all countries loving freedom. The world despises Rashid Ali for asking for the help of the Germans."

The "Tan" writes : "Even if we do not believe the reports that Rashid Ali has asked for German aid, the fact remains that Iraq is blamable in that her conduct gave rise to such rumours."

The "Son Telegraf" asserts that the people of Iraq have nothing to fear regarding their independence from England, who is fighting for the independence of small nations

Mysore's Industrial Expansion

"The greater part of the year was marked by the condition of war prevailing in Europe and the Government industrial concerns had to adjust themselves to these conditions which caused an increased market demand and a varied line of manufacture." —That explains in a nutshell the industrial position in Mysore during 1939-40.

Factories are slowly and steadily multiplying in the State. There were at the end of the year under review 277 factories working in the State of which 52 were seasonal and 225 were perennial. The average daily number of operatives employed in the factories rose from 26,089 in 1938-39 to 30,042 in 1939-40.

The Industries Department paid continuous and special attention to the development of minor, rural and cottage industries with reference to the three-year plan of development of rural and cottage industries. A sum of Rs. 43,300 was sanctioned by Government for carrying out the first part of the plan. In pursuance of this plan, action was taken to conduct demonstrations of improved methods in a number of industries, village tanning and flaying, button making, mat weaving, smithy, pottery and ceramics, etc.

The total production of Khadi in the Badanval Centre in 1939-40 was 1,17,436 square yards of the value of Rs. 55,675 as against 1,12,209 square yards of the value of Rs. 58,924 in 1938-39. The fall in the value of Khadi cloth produced during the year is reported to be due to restricted output of coloured and printed goods consequent on the outbreak of the war which cut off normal supplies of dye-stuffs used for dyeing and printing. Out of the total sales during the year, Government departments purchased Khadi valued at Rs. 16,895.

Sanction was accorded by Government for the establishment of a Factory at Belagola for the manufacture of bichromates in the State, involving a capital outlay of about Rs. 1,30,000.

AXIS HOLDS CHAIN OF ISLANDS OFF TURKEY

LONDON : May 7.

"The Times" Ankara correspondent cabled on May 6 :—

The Axis Powers now hold a chain of islands flanking the Turkish coast from Lemnos to Rhodes. Mytilene, Chios and Samos were demilitarised under the Lausanne Treaty and are not immediately usable as bases for military operations. Doubtless, however, the Germans will spare no energy in making landing grounds for aircraft.

Berlin is doubtless aware that Turkey considers foreign possession of the Dodecanese as a menace to her security. Accordingly, Hitler's professed regard for Turkey in his speech on May 4 would have cut more ice had the German army left the Greek islands alone.

It is noted that Hitler made no mention of the Soviet Union. This possibly is significant. There are reports that German forces on the Moldavian frontier are being strengthened and that the Rumanian army is being mobilized for service against someone or other. However, in countries which have not yet been attacked by Hitler there is always a tendency to attach undue significance to phenomena which might indicate that the other fellow is likely to be attacked first.

CALCUTTA SHARE MARKET

CALCUTTA, May 12

Share market : Stock Exchange ruled quiet but steady after week-end and volume of business was moderate. Jutes, Coals, Teas and Cottons, ruled steady but Government Securities were a shade easier. Speculative Engineering issues and miscellaneous industrials were unchanged. Stock Exchange was closed to-day at 2 p.m. on account of death of Mr. Bhakt Das, partner of Messrs. Gulab and Co., who was a member of the Stock Exchange.

Following are the closing quotations :—

Government securities : 3 per cent Defence Bonds 1946 101/13; 3 1/2 per cent Government Paper 95/2; 3 per cent loan 1941 100/6 small lot; 5 per cent loan 1945/55 110/14.

Reserve Bank 103.

Cottons : New Victoria ord 2/1.

Coals : Bengal Bhatdee 2/2; Burrakur 12/10; Jainty Central 1/7; Lakurka 9/4.

Jutes : Budge Budge 350; Calcutta Jute Pref 103; Chitavaisah 8/12; Delta 381 small lot; Howrah 50; Hukumchand Pref 116/8; Kamarhatty 468; National 21 small lot; Nuddea 56/8 small lot; Presidency 4/2.

Miscellaneous : Burma Corporation 4/4; Indian Copper 2; Tavoy Tin Re. 1; Dalmia Cement ord 11/6; Alkali and Chemical pref 119; Jubbulpore Elec 14/4; Burn and Co 6 per cent pref 145 small odd lots; Hukumchand Steel Defd 2/6; Indian Iron and Steel 28; Kumardhubi Eng Pref 115 small lot; Steel Corporation ord 17/6; Pref 119; B I Corporation ord 4/3; Dunlop Rubber ord 39 small odd lot; 2nd Pref 113 small odd lot; Rohtas Industries ord 19/12; Pref 143; Indian Paper Pulp 133; Titaghur Paper 17.

Sugar : Carew and Co ord 9/2; Pref 117; Tea : Dufflaghur 14/2; Nagri Farm 20 ct; Rydak 68/8.

3 1/4 per cent 1956/66 Howrah Bridge Debs 97/12; 5 1/2 per cent 1939-47 Dalmia Cement Debs 102/6 small lot.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY

Summary of Meteorological observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 12th May, 1941 :—

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hours +.034 inches.

Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 84.6 deg.

Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 77.9 deg.

Maximum temperature during 24 hrs. 91.3 deg. (0.4 above normal).

Minimum temperature during 24 hrs. 79.8 deg. (0.9 above normal).

Relative humidity at 8 a.m. 73 per cent.

Direction of wind at 8 a.m. S E.

Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 2 miles per hr.

Total movement of wind in 24 hrs. 66 mls.

Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours, 13 miles per hour.

Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10) 3.

East Indian Railwaymen's Union

CALCUTTA, May 12.

The two-day session of the Seventh Annual Conference of the East Indian Railway Men's Union held at Howrah under the Presidentship of Mr. A. N. Chatterjee, M.L.A. (Central), concluded yesterday. The Conference was opened by Mr. R. E. Marriott, General Manager of the E. I. R.

The following office-bearers were elected at the session for the current year:—

President:—Mr. Sibnath Banerjee, M.L.A. (Bengal);

Vice-Presidents:—Mr. M. A. Kazmi, M.L.A. (Central) and Mr. Nirapada Mukherjee, M.L.A. (Bihar),

General Secretary:—Mr. B. K. Mukherjee, M.L.A. (U. P.)—A. P.

ARAB MERCHANT CONVICTED: RS. 8,900 CONFISCATED

Gulam Ali Bin Hussain, an Arab Merchant, was sentenced by the Chief Presidency Magistrate to one day's simple imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 250/- in detault six months' rigorous imprisonment, being found guilty of a charge under the Defence of India Rules of failing to declare that he had in his possession Rs. 8,900/- for being carried to Kuwait. The accused was a passenger for Kuwait, a port in Persian Gulf. He was arrested on March 3.

The Magistrate directed Rs. 8,900 to be confiscated to the Government of India.

The Magistrate commended the action of Mr. Bhide in "detecting the fraud."

Evacuees From Iraq Arrive In Bombay

The Director of Information, Bombay, writes :—

The majority of the women and children evacuated from Iraq have now reached Bombay. So far some 80 women and 70 children have arrived.

Their needs are being as far as possible provided for by the Government, assisted by the Reception Committee for Evacuees, consisting of three gentlemen and four ladies under the chairmanship of the Sheriff of Bombay. The urgent need at present is for perambulators and children's cots, since the majority of the children are very young. Any person who is willing to lend a perambulator or cot is requested to inform Mrs. T. Sinclair Kennedy, Information Bureau for Evacuees, 3 Mahendra Mansions, Esplanade Road, as soon as possible or Mrs. W. E. Brown (telephone number 34167).

The majority of persons are self-supporting or only temporarily short of funds, and will be able to make arrangements to stay with friends or to find other accommodation. There are, however, cases, particularly of women with small children who cannot suitably be accommodated in hotels or boarding houses, in which temporary hospitality, whether in Bombay or in the hills, would be greatly appreciated. Persons who are willing to provide such hospitality are requested to apply to the above addresses.

NOT HOSTILE TO PROVINCIAL LANGUAGES

Kalelkar's Plea For Learning Hindustani

BERHAMPORE (Ganjam), May 11.

The necessity for learning Hindustani in

NEW YORK COTTON 12 POINTS DOWN

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICE

JULY 1941
New York, May 12

Previous closing	12.43
To-day's opening	12.34
Difference	—08
To-day's closing	12.33
Difference	—12

BROACH EXPECTATION

Broach April/May	Rs. 259/8
Broach July/August	Rs. 227/0
Broach April/May 1942	Rs. 242/8

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, May 12

The New York cotton showed reactionary tendency following absence of any constructive news from Washington. Trading in July began at 12.34 i.e. eight points lower than last close. Prices eased under increased hedging and Spot house selling, but later pressure subsided with prices recovering partially.

The following are to-day's opening ranges in New York cotton:—

May (12.49/49) unquoted
July (12.47/47) 12.34/33
October (12.65/64) 12.50/48

LONDON COMMODITIES

London, May 12

Castorseeds unquoted
Linseed Bombay Calcutta May June (£18 9/16 quoted) £18 9/16
Linseed La Plata June (£11 3/4) £11 3/4
Groundnut Coromandal May June (£17 1/4) quoted) £17 1/4

JUTES

Dundee May (£47) £47
Lightning May (£43) £43

RUBBER

Spot (14 1/4d) unavailable
Forward July September (14 1/4d paid) unavailable.

LONDON METALS

Tin (£270 1/2 buyers; £271 sellers) £270 1/2 buyers; £270 3/4 sellers
Electrolytic Copper (£52) £52
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Irone No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

3 1/2 P.C. STERLING LOAN

London, May 12

3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £99 3/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, May 12

London Stock Exchange maintained a firm tone.

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

London, May 12

5 per cent 1958/68 (£104 3/4) £104 3/4

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£78 5/8) £78 5/8
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£104 1/2) £104 1/2
2 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£99 1/8) £99 1/8
4 per cent Funding Loan (£113 1/8) £113 1/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£103 7/8) £103 7/8
New War Loan (£100 1/2) £100 1/2
4 1/2 per cent Victory Bonds (£111 7/8) £111 7/8

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (10-10 1/2) 11-0
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (33-4½) 30-4½
Hydro Electric No dealings
Electric Music Industry (7 4 1/2) 7-4 1/2
Princhin Johnson (17-6) 17-6
Imperial Chemicals (30-6) 30-6
Woolsworth New Ordinary (47-9) 47-9
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates (£49) £49
Dundee Rubber (34-0) 33-9
Unilever Ordinary (20-1 1/2) 20-0
Ford Motors (17-9) 17-9
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£63) £63
British American Tobacco Ordinary (87 6) 87-6
Carreas 'A' (£3 3/4) £3 3/4
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (92-6) 92-6
P and O Def (22-7 1/2) 22-10 1/2
Distillers (63-3) 63 6
Bredfords Dye (3.6) 3.6
British Celanese (3-7 1/2) 3-6
J and P Coates (29-0) 29-3
Courtaulds Ordinary (31-7 1/2) 31-6
Fine Cotton Spinners (2-6) 2-6
Vickers Limited Ordinary (15-0) 15-0
Inter Nickel (dol 39 3/4) dol 40
Indian Iron (41-10 1/2) 41-10 1/2

TEA SHARES

Assam Company (17-6) 17-6
Donaro Tea (28-9) 28-9
Empire of India (20-0) 20-0

JUTE

Barnagore (£7) £7

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (13-9) 13-9
Gula Kelampong (15-0) 15-0
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (24-7 1/2) 24-9

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (17-6) 17-6
Burma Corporation (6-3) 6-3
Rio Tintos (£7) £7
East Rand Properties (39-4 1/2) 39-4 1/2
Rand Mines (£7) £7

MINE SHARES

Crown (£11 5/8) £11 5/8
Associated Portland Cement (48-9) 48-9
Trinidad Leasehold (65-7 1/2) 65-0
Sub Nigel (£7 1/8) £7 1/8
Spring Mines Split Shares (21-3) 21-3
Union Corporation (£6 3/4) £6 3/4

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (26-3) 36-3
Anglo India (28-1 1/2) 27-6
Burma Oil (47-6) 47-6
Mexican Eagle (6-9) 6-7 1/2
Shell Transport (40-7 1/2) 40-7 1/2
Royal Dutch (£16) £16

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary (£33 3/4) £33 3/4
London Midland Ordinary (£12-7 1/2) £12 5/8
London North Eastern Def (£1 5/8) £1 5/8
London Southern Def (£9 7/8) £10
London Transport 5 per cent (£126) £126
London Transport 'C' (£30) £30

SIX SCHEMES CIRCULATED

SIMLA, May 12.—The Research Utilisation Committee began its meeting to-day with Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar, Commerce Member in the chair.

Sir Ramaswamy Mudaliar reported to the Committee certain schemes of research which were urgently needed by the Defence Department for utilisation and which were being given to certain industrial firms for such utilisation. The Committee discussed in detail the nature of the financial terms which future tenderers for exploitation of such research scheme may have to comply with. The Committee is now considering the applications received with reference to the six schemes which were circulated to the commercial and industrial interests some time back.

New research schemes are ready for exploitation and these were explained to the Committee by Dr. Sir S. S. Bhatnagar. Short notes on these schemes will be circulated to commercial and industrial interests and the replies received will be considered at the next meeting of the Committee.

The Committee is again meeting to-morrow morning.—A. P.

EXCHANGES:

CROSS RATES

T T NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York, May 12

Previous closing	4.03 1/4
To day's opening	4.03 1/4

T T LONDON ON NEW YORK
London, May 12

Previous closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To day's opening	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To day's closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, May 12

London Exchange opened with the sterling/dollar at 4.02.50 to 4.03.50, which is officially fixed rate

LONDON BULLION

LONDON GOLD
London, May 12

London Gold (£8-8-0) £8 8-0

LONDON SILVER
London, May 12

Spot (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d
Forward (23 1/2d) 23 1/2

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-5 31/32) 1-5 31/32
Paris on Bombay not quoted
New York on Montreal not quoted
New York on Bombay (30.30) 30.33
London on Shanghai (0-3 1/16 to 0-3 3/8) 0-3 1/8 to 0-3 7/16
London on Kobe (1 2 to 1-2 1/2) 1-2 to 1 2 1/2

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent
4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent
6 months (1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent.

BULLION AND SEEDS

Bombay, May 12

There was no trading during the night session

PRESIDENT 'FEELING FINE'

WASHINGTON, May 12.

President Roosevelt is "feeling fine" according to reports from the White House. Although still weak from the effects of the recent stomach trouble, the President was well enough to-day (Monday) to receive the Australian Prime Minister Mr. Menzies.—Reuter.

DAYLIGHT RAIDS ON BRITAIN ON MONDAY.

LONDON, May 12.

"It is now known that in last night's attack on this country a total nine enemy aircraft were destroyed," says to-night's Air Ministry Communique.

It adds, there has been very little enemy activity over Britain during daylight to-day. Early this morning bombs were dropped at a point on the south-east coast, doing little damage and causing no casualties.—Reuter.

BAN ON MATERIALS TO AXIS POWERS.

WASHINGTON, May 12.

Legislation designed to stop supply to the Axis Powers of war materials produced in the Philippines was unanimously approved by the Military Committee of the House of Representatives to-day.

It would empower President Roosevelt to control the export of defence materials including Philippine products.—Reuter.

U. S. TO MAKE UP BR. SHIPPING LOSSES.

NEW YORK, May 12.

Eighty per cent of the total tonnage so far lost by the Allies, according to Admiralty figures, is at present under contract or construction in United States shipyards, according to figures issued to-day by the American bureau of shipping. The figures are 800 ships, totalling 5,065,400 tons on May 1.—Reuter.

EASTERN GROUP SUPPLY COUNCIL

SIMLA, May 12.

Mr. M. S. A. Hydari, India's representative on the Eastern Group Supply Council, will give a broadcast talk on the Council's work from the Simla studio of All-India Radio at 9-45 p. m. on May 15.—A. P.

RASHID ALI MUM OVER EGYPT'S OFFER.

CAIRO, May 12.

The Moscow Radio last night (Sunday) sharply criticised the attitude of the rebel partisans of Rashid Ali, the Iraqi usurper, according to Ankara reports. In a broadcast for Rumania, the announcer is stated to have described them as "instruments of foreign powers." It is understood that no reply has yet been received from Rashid Ali to Egypt's offer to mediate in the dispute with Britain.—Reuter.

Dust Storm And Rain In Lucknow

LUCKNOW, May 12.

Lucknow, which has been sizzling under sweltering heat, had its first summer bath to-day when a blinding dust-storm swept over the city for more than half an hour, followed by a heavy downpour coupled with hail.

This welcome rain has brought down the temperature appreciably which rose upto 113 degrees.—United Press.

DRIZZLE AT ALLAHABAD.

ALLAHABAD, May 12.

After experiencing intense heat for weeks, the temperature having risen upto 115 degrees, Allahabad had this evening a dust-storm for half an hour, followed by a drizzle, as a result of which the temperature has gone down. —A. P.

LOFOTEN THREAT TO NAZIS

LONDON, May 12.

Lofoten fishermen have threatened to destroy their nets and cease fishing altogether, if any more of their houses are destroyed by Germans, who are burning them as reprisals for the British raid, it is learned in London.

An amazing demonstration of Norwegian solidarity with Britain occurred at a recent funeral of three British airmen shot down during the raid. Although a lonely island was chosen for the burial and the date and place were kept secret, it leaked out and was passed on by word of mouth. When the cortege arrived at the tiny island, the Germans were astonished to find hundreds of people, who had crossed in from scores of small boats were lining the graveside, according to a message to the Norwegian telegraph agency.

JAPAN TAKES TWO MORE TOWNS

CANTON, May 12.

The Japanese claim to have cut another route for supplies to the Chinese Government at Chungking. The claims are made in an Official Japanese announcement which says that the Japanese army and navy forces this afternoon almost simultaneously captured the towns of Waichow and Poklo both south-east of Canton. Waichow which has 162,000 inhabitants is at he confluence of two rivers. Poklo was taken by the Japanese, when they attacked Canton but was later abandoned as being unimportant.

JAPANESE "BLITZ" BASE

SHANGHAI.— Formosa is to be the "heart" of Japan's southward movement, according to Admiral Kiyoshi Hasegawa, Governor-General of Formosa.

CHINESE JUDGE KIDNAPPED

SHANGHAI:—A Drive against the staff members of the pro-Chungking Chinese Court in the International Settlement was launched by political terrorists to-day. Within a few hours they kidnapped one judge, the chief procurator, and the wife and son of another Judge, who was absent from home at the time. All the kidnappings took place in the foreign areas of the settlement.—Reuter.

Editors Asked To Give Previous Intimation

NEW DELHI, May 12.

Mr. J. N. Sahni, Convenor, All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference, states in connection with the Standing Committee meeting to be held at Simla on May 30, that, as there is difficulty in securing appropriate accommodation in Simla, members of the Standing Committee are requested to inform the Convenor or Mr. B. Shiva Rao, Hydevale, Simla, as early as possible of their requirements as well as of the dates and train by which they are reaching Simla. Individual notices are being sent to the members by post but they must not wait for these which will reach them in due course.

The meeting is expected to consider some very important matters affecting the Press and arising out of recent developments in the country.

It is, therefore, desired that despite inconvenience involved all members should make it a point to attend the meeting.

Mr. K. Srinivasan, President of the Conference, is expected to reach Simla on May 29.—A. P.

Thundershowers In Frontier And Punjab

Poona, May 12

Thundershowers have been widespread in Assam and local in Kashmir and occurred at a few stations in Chota Nagpur, Bihar, South Hyderabad, Mysore, Madras Deccan, North Madras Coast. Local dust or thunderstorms are also reported from the North-west Frontier Provinces, the Punjab, North Rajputana and West United Provinces.

The chief amounts of rainfall; Cherrapunji 8 inches; Mymensingh, Sonamarg 2 each; Gauhati, Dhubri, Dibrugarh one and a half each; Bogra one; Meerut three quarters; Tezpur, Shillong, Sibsagar, Silchar, Dinajpur, Darbbanga, Mussooree, Delhi, Bikaner, Kurnool, Calingapatam half each; Ootacamund, Chitaldrug, Khammamett, Saugor Island quarter each —A.P.

SAND-STORM OVER AGRA

AGRA, May 12.

A severe sand-storm swept over Agra last night followed by a shower and hail. Many thatched and tin roofs were blown off.

DUST STORM AT MEERUT.

MEERUT:—Meerut experienced a heavy dust storm followed by rains which are still continuing. Many trees were uprooted and thatched and corrugated roofs were blown off. No loss of life is reported.—A. P.

KOLHAPUR, May 12.—At a meeting of the Kolhapur Municipality yesterday evening Mr. Vasantrao Khanderao Bagal was unanimously elected President of the Municipality for the next three years.—A. P.

BETTER BOMBERS HAS BRITAIN

Soviet Writer Optimistic About Allies' Capacity To Cope With Nazis

LONDON, May 12.

A writer in the "Red Star", the organ of the Russian Army, refers to the increased bomb loads of the new R. A. F. machines such as the "Stirling."

He says that the German advantage of having bases near Britain is partly offset by the tremendous weight of bombs which can now be carried by a single British machine.

The writer points out that the experience of the last war proved that British and United States industry made up for sinkings by U-boats.—Reuter.

Black Out In Delhi

NEW DELHI, May 11.

Delhi was plunged in darkness for four hours to-night when the city experienced its first complete trial black-out. All street lights in New Delhi were put out, while those in Old Delhi were shaded and dimmed. The black-out will be continued to-morrow and the day after from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. —A. P.

ISOLATIONISTS ACTIVE

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seized the favourable opportunity presented by the isolationist at to present another note of protest against the seizures of German vessels.

In the words "this course may lead to armed conflict", the National Policy Board of the Committee to defend America by aiding the Allies frankly apprises its new statement of basic policy.

This was drawn up this week at a meeting at New York attended by representatives of Committees of Chapters in the United States.

Prepared after long and earnest discussion, this statement goes much further than any previously put by the organisation, which, although it has taken the lead in mobilising public opinion has nevertheless clung to the hope that "measures short of war" would prove adequate to ensure the defeat of Germany.

"The hour has come", it asserts, "when this nation must face the facts.

"We cannot allow the defences of Great Britain and her Allies to be overwhelmed. Civilisation can be made sure only by engaging the full strength and power of the United States in the common cause. We must assume our share of the burden and sacrifices in the United defence of civilisation."

EMERGENCY MEASURES

To this end, the Committee urges the American people to insist on the following measures:—

The declaration of a full State of national emergency.

The employment of the Naval and Air Forces of the nation to safeguard the lifeline between the Western Hemisphere and the British Isles, and specifically for convoy duty.

Effective aid to China, including a rigid embargo against Japan?

The freezing of Axis assets and the control of subversive propaganda and sabotage directed by Axis consulates "by whatever measures may be necessary, including the severance of diplomatic relations."

LUFTWAFFE'S CASUALTIES.

LONDON, May 12.

It is now stated that another German bomber was destroyed last night over Great Britain, making a total for the night eight and the total for eleven nights of May 132.

It is also revealed that during Saturday's raid on London, Czechoslovak night fighters destroyed six German aircraft, three of them by one pilot.—Reuter.

RASHID'S ENVOY STILL AT IT.

LONDON, May 12.

An Iraqi reports says that Syed Naji Shawkat, Rashid Ali's envoy in Ankara, is prolonging his stay in Turkey by 48 hours.- Reuter.

MOPPING UP REBELS IN IRAQ.

LONDON, May 12.

The latest Air Ministry Communique says that in Iraq our aircraft have been engaged in mopping up operations against the rebels in most of the districts, where they were seen.—Reuter.

MILITARY WITHDRAWN FROM DACCA

DACCA, May 12.

The military, which were posted at Thataribazar, Madanbasak Road and other places in ward three of Dacca have since been withdrawn. —A. P.

MUSLIMS THINK OTHERWISE

Barkat Ali's Charge Against Sapru And Congress

LAHOR, May 11.

The view that both the Congress and Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru's colleagues are manoeuvring for a Hindu or non-Muslim domination at the Centre, which is the very point of conflict between the Congress and the League, is expressed by Malik Barkat Ali, M.L.A. member of the Working Committee of the All-India Muslim League, in the course of a statement.

Is Mr. Jinnah, he asks, far from the truth when he characterises the Bombay Conference as another edition of the Congress designedly made so as to be acceptable to the British Government? No wonder, says Malik Barkat Ali, that its resolutions are blessed or acquiesced in or at least not criticised or castigated by Congress leaders.

MUSLIMS THINK OTHERWISE.

Malik Barkat Ali continues: Sir Tej has frankly voiced his opposition to what he calls the fragmentation or splitting up of India into parts and has wound up with an appeal to the British Government not to be party to this dissection as in this way they will be unwriting the history of their work during the last 175 years. Sir Tej is free to think on these lines but Sir Tej should recognise that there is another side to the picture and that his view can not bind others. The Muslims of India think otherwise and feel that partition is the only solution of the difficulties and the quarrels and the internecine warfare which is responsible for India's present degradation.

CHARGE AGAINST MAHATMA.

Malik Barkat Ali points out that the publication of the correspondence between Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru and Mr. Jinnah on one side and that between Sir Tej and Mahatma Gandhi on the other has revealed one fact beyond doubt, and that is that while Mr. Jinnah expressed his readiness and willingness to see Mahatma Gandhi or any Hindu leader, Mahatma Gandhi was not prepared to meet Mr. Jinnah in his capacity as a Hindu leader. Apparently Mahatma Gandhi wanted to meet Mr. Jinnah in his role of an All-India, or better still, a non-communal leader, can Mahatma Gandhi claim this character and does he not realise that after having lost the confidence and understanding of 90 million Muslims he cannot possibly appropriate to himself that status?A.P.

ALL QUIET IN DACCA

Nawab's Appeal To Muslims To Open Their Shops

DACCA, May 12.

The situation in the City is now quiet, and there was no incident reported yesterday and till midday to-day.

The Hon'ble Nawab Bahadur of Dacca addressing a gathering of Muslims at Ashan Manzil yesterday asked them not to believe in wild and panicky rumours but to open their shops and resume business.

Fifty-eight more persons have been brought here under arrest from the riot-affected villages in Narainganj sub-division.—A. P.

REVENUE MINISTER FOR DACCA

CALCUTTA, May 12.

The Hon. Sir Bijoy Prosad Singh Roy, Revenue Minister, accompanied by Mr. K. Sahabuddin, Chief Government Whip, left for Dacca to-night.

The party will leave on May 14 for the riot affected areas in Narayanganj Sub-Division. After inspecting the relief works in Narsinghdi, Sibpura, Raipur and other places for two days, they will return to Dacca on May 16 and reach Calcutta next morning.—A. P.

FRANCO'S NEW POLICY IN APPOINTMENTS

MADRID, May 12.

Following his recent far-reaching administrative changes, General Franco to-day (Monday) issued a number of decrees making changes in high army posts. These include the appointment of General Ascencio Cabanillas, hitherto High Commissioner for Spanish Morocco to be Chief of the Army staff.

A new Commander-in-Chief of the Balearic Islands is also appointed, General Gonzalez replacing General Kindelan who takes command of the fourth legion of Spain. General Miguel Ponte, hitherto General commanding the army in Morocco is made Captain General of second legion.—Reuter.

KISANS HAVE NO PARTY POLITICS

President Of U. P. Sangh Urges Governor To Redress Grievances

LUCKNOW, May 12.

A memorandum setting forth the grievances of Kisans in the U. P. and seeking their redress has been submitted to His Excellency the Governor of U. P. by Mr. Algurai Sastri, M.L.A., President of the U. P. Kisan Sangh.

NO PARTY POLITICS

Stating that the economic condition or Kisans has been adversely affected by the war, Mr. Sastri says that the Kisan Sabha has no party politics. Its activities are confined only to work for the ameliotration of the condition of the poor classes. Mr. Sastri hopes that Government "will disabuse their minds of the idea that the Kisan Sanghs represent subversive movements, simply because some of the workers happen to belong to well-known political groups."

Kisan Demands

The following demands by the Kisans are enumerated by the President of the Kisan Sangh:—

Relief should be granted to the grower by taxing the wealthy and raising commodities when prices are depressed,

Measures to raise the profit of growers by better marketing facilities and controlling the middlemen's profits,

Remission in rent and water rates in places and on land where the cultivator has suffered,

Prevention of adulteration of genuine foodstuffs, specially milk, butter and ghee and

Enactment of a colorisation act for hydrogenated oil.—A. P.

INCREASED TRAFFIC ON SIND-BOMBAY LINE

Plea For Duplicating Train Service

KARACHI, May 12.

A plea for duplicating the train service between Sind and Bombay is made by the Karachi Indian Merchants' Association in a communication to the Jodhpur Railway authorities.

The Association point out that passenger traffic between Sind and Bombay has greatly increased and due to the unsatisfactory steamer services between Karachi and Bombay, the existing single service is inadequate to meet the growing traffic.

Another question which engages the attention of the Indian Mercantile community in Karachi is the lack of adequate shipping facilities between Karachi and various Indian ports and correspondence is being carried on by these organisations with the Railway Board for reduction of freight.—A. P

WESTBOUND FOREIGN MAILS LOST

SIMLA, May 12.

The Director-General, Posts and Telegraphs, regrets to announce that westbound foreign mails comprising the posting between January 1 and 13 have been lost as a result of enemy action, states a 'communique.'—A. P.

MAHASABHAITE FOR CENTRAL ASSEMBLY

SHILLONG, May 12.

Mr. Ananga Mohon Dam, Hindu Mahasabha Leader of Assam, has been declared elected without a contest to the Central Assembly from the Surma Valley-Cum-Shillong Non-Muhammadan Constituency in place of Mr. Brojendra-Narayan Chaudhuri (Congress) resigned.—A. P.

TORNADO SWEEPS NOAKHALI

NOAKHALI, May 12.

A terrific tornado swept over Noakhali Bazar area this morning, resulting in corrugated roofings of some shops being blown away

Several private dwelling houses were also damaged and three persons were removed to hospital with injuries.—A. P.

Leading Jain Citizen Of Rajkot Dead

(From Our Correspondent).

RAJKOT, May 12.

Mohanlal Damodar Mehta, a leading Jain citizen expired yesterday at the age of 65. He worked many years as Secretary in the local Panjrapole and was a social reformer. He removed parda system in his family and was quite against regarding 'caraj' ceremony to be performed after deaths of members of the community. In the last famine he often visited villages in his own motor car and gave grain and clothes to the poor. He was wearing khaddar since last 30 years, and beginning from a mere compositor he became a leading bookseller and publisher and amassed wealth by dint of hand labour and business acumn.

He was to be selected as a Prajakiya member in the scheme of the Bhangi Bank, which Rajkot, State is proposing to establish.

Rajkot State has decided to take 'gadivero' from Rajkot citizens and State servants It is necessary to recall that state has begun to collect said 'gadivero' from village cultivators on Santis.

INCHCAPE'S LEGACY

COLOMBO, May 8.

The late Earl of Inchcape who died at Chinthurst Hill, Wonersh, Surrey, England, on June 21st 1939 has left a Ceylon estate valued at Rs. 839,755.

This transpired in the appeal court, Colombo, to-day when an application was made before Mr. Justice Hearne to have sole testamentary jurisdiction conferred on the District Court of Colombo.

The application was allowed.—A. P.

Bombay & Suburbs

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS

To-day

Hindu: Vaishakh Vad 2, 1997
Muslim: Rabi-ul-Akhar 15, 1360
Parsi: Adar 11, 1310
Hightide: 0-58 13-45
Lowtide: 7-00 19-48
Sunrise: 6h. 6m.
Sunset: 7h. 5m.

INSTITUTE OF OCCULT SCIENCES—Dr. Saigal will speak on 'Palmistry' to-day (Tuesday) at 6-15 p.m. in the hall of Golwalla Classes, Bombay Mutual Building, Hornby Road, Bombay.

CHERAI CROSS SOCIETY, THANA—The Cherai Cross Society celebrated its annual feast at the village Cross on Saturday evening, when the Very Rev. Fr. B. F. D'Silva, Vara and Vicar of Thana officiated.

NORMAL SHOWS AT ROXY

The curfew having been withdrawn, the Roxy theatre has resumed its normal shows of Bombay Talkies' "Naya Sansar". There are three shows daily, at 3-30, 6-45 and 10 p.m., with a matineee at 12-30 noon on Sundays and holidays.

NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC UNION, BOMBAY

The Executive Committee of the National Democratic Union met on Sunday morning, at the office of "Independent India" when Mr. Tayab Shaik was elected Secretary and it was decided to place him in charge of the activities in the province.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"Tin Pan Alley" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"Hudson's Bay" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Sky Murder" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Red Tail Minstrels" Daily at 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"Wings Over Africa" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NOVELTY—"Premnagar" Daily at 3-15 and 6-15 p.m.
CHITRA—"Prabhat" Daily at 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m.
ROXY—"Naya Sansar". Daily at 3-30, 6-45 and 10 p.m.
MINERVA—"Lagan" Daily at 3-30 and 6-15 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Khazanchi" Daily at 3 and 6 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Padosi" Daily at 3-30 and 6 p.m.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS—Major General and Mrs. E. F Norton arrived at Government House, Bombay on Monday Mr. H. M. Mathews and Mr. E. J. Dawson lunched at Government House, Bombay on Monday.

BOMBAY KERALEEYA SAMAJ—The annual general meeting of the Bombay Keraleeya Samaj was held on Sunday at King George English School, Dadar. The annual report showing the various activities of the Samaj was adopted. The following office-bearers for the coming year were then elected. Mr. E. Damodara Menon (President), Mr. T. K. Kurup (Secretary), Mr. C. P. Sankaran Nair (Treasurer), and Dr. K. B. Menon, Messrs. K. M. Nair, V. A. Kesavan Nair, O. K. Nambiar, A. Narayanan, C. G. Nair, V. G. Nair, T. Padmanabhan Nair, P. Balan and V. M. Menon, the Members of the Governing Body and Messrs. C. Arangil and N. P. Achan the Auditors.

Vile Parle Pupils' Own School

The Principal of the School writes:
The Pupils' Own School, which has been for many years a Proprietory Institution, will be handed over to a Committee of members nominated by me its proprietor, from next June with a view to putting it on a sound financial basis For many years this institution was run at a financial loss which had to be made good by concerts. The public of Vile Parle, and the neighbouring suburbs, will be now assured that the School will continue without the ever present fear of being closed down suddenly.

The Committee, to which the School will be handed over by Mr. Vakil in June, consists of the following members:

Mrs. Vimlaben Motilal Setalwad, Mrs. Maniben Chandulal Nanavati, Mrs. Urmila Mehta, Mrs. Cooverbai J. Vakil, Mr. J. J. Vakil.

It is intended to add a couple of names to those already mentioned. These will be announced later. Mr Bachubhai Shukla, has been appointed as the Principal from June, 1941.

RS. 7,00,000 FOR ROYAL INDIAN NAVY

Payments From Viceroy's War Purposes Fund

Payments made from H. E. the Viceroy's War Purposes Fund during the fortnight ended March 31, 1941 totalled Rs. 13,30,000 in India and £111,885 in England.

Among the payments in India were Rs. 7,00,000 to the Royal Indian Navy, Rs. 1,27,000 to the Defence Services Estimates and Rs. 1,96,000 for the Indian Air Force.

Sums remitted to England include £100,330 for the purchase of aircraft, £3,750 for the British Community War Fund in Egypt, £3,410 for King George's Fund for Sailors, £2,119 for the Indian Comforts Fund and £1,790 to the Lord Mayor of London's Fund for the relief of air raid victims.

Collections in the War Purpose Fund up to March 31, 1941 amounted to Rs. 3,65,00,000 which, with Rs. 59,000 earned as interest on cash balances, makes a total of Rs. 3,65,59,000. On the same date payments in India totalled Rs. 1,01,82,000 and in England, £1,372,960.

A further payment of £6,000 to the St. Dunstan's Section of the Fund brings the total payments to £38,000. Collections in this Fund amounted to Rs. 5,12,000 on March 31 1941. This includes a grant of Rs. 1,00,000 from the General Fund.

War Gifts Fund Ladies' Committee

The following is a further list of monthly subscriptions to the War Gifts Fund which have been kindly diverted to the "Win the War" Rupee Fund.

Rs. 500—4th, Mr. H. E. Jones (Oriental Govt. Security Life Assurance Co., Ltd.); Rs. 391 the Central Bank of India, Ltd., Staff; Rs. 298, the New India Assurance Co.'s (29 books and 8 tickets); Rs. 268 the Officers and Employees of H. M. S. Mint; Rs. 190 the Hongkong Shanghai Bank Staff; Rs. 150 the Bombay Suburban Electric Supply Ltd., Staff; Rs. 132 Messrs. Kemp and Co., Ltd. Staff; Rs. 115 Messrs. Louis Dreyfus and Co. (European and Indian Staff); Rs. 110 Royal Insurance Co., Ltd. Staff; Rs. 100 Mr. D. Moir Mr. A. D. Walwyn, Messrs. Lionel Edwards Ltd; Rs. 93 Messrs. Turner Morse and Co's Staff contribution for March; Rs. 85 the Chloride Electric Co's Staff subscription; Rs. 75 Mr. J. H. Vakeel; Rs. 40 Bank of Baroda Ltd; Rs. 30 Messrs. Fleming Shaw and Co., Ltd; Rs. 25 Mr. N. F. Nawroji, Mr. W. G. Lloyd; Rs. 24 Remington Rand Inc. Staff; Rs. 20 New Infant School.

"Win The War Rupee Fund"

The following is a further list of donations to the "Win the War" Rupee Fund.

Rs. 1,820—1st, Purchase of "Win the War" tickets by Gaekwar Mills through Sir H. M. Mehta, Chairman; Rs. 1,000—2nd, Trustees of the Sir Ratan Tata Charities; Rs. 810—3rd, Navsari Cotton and Silk Mills Ltd. (Chairman, Sir H. M. Mehta, K.B.E.); Rs. 250 A Sympathiser; Rs. 200 Hargovandas Jeevanda.; Rs. 150 Mrs. Burdon; Rs. 110 Mr. Fred Stones; Rs. 100 Mr. Chunilal B. Mehta, Lady Petit, Sir Cowasjee Jehangir, K.C.I.E., O.B.E., Mr. Jamasji P. Dastur, Major General Candy, Mr. Ardeshir Framji Davur, H. H. Dowager Kulsam Begum of Janjira; Rs. 60 H. C. Coyaji; Rs. 55 Dr. Kohiyar; Rs. 50 Mr. Eruch D. Pandole, Mr. Jehangir H. Cama, Mr. H. Sommer, Mr. D. Storrer, Mr. P. G. Valieri; Rs. 33 H. H. the Maharaja of Dharampur; Rs. 30 Mr. R. S. Powala, Dr. (Miss) A. M. Mehta, Children of the Alexandra Girls' English Institution (Proceeds from Concert); Rs. 20 Mr. H. A. H. Payne, Sir Jehangir C. Coyaji, Mrs. Iswaram (Dhulia); Rs. 11 Mr. K. A. J. Lalkaka; Rs. 10 Mr. A. A. Whelan, Ibrahim I. Dessai, Mrs. Gans, Mr. J. S. Mody.

BOMBAY WAR GIFTS FUND

Amount previously acknowledged: Rs. 56,96,632/14/4.

For the Lord Mayor's Relief Fund: Rs. 100 "Anonymous."

For the R.A.F.: Rs. 280 the Chief officer, S.S. "Akbar," being collection made on the steamer, Rs. 206/12 the members of the staff of the Bombay Telephone Co., Ltd. (monthly). Rs. 202/6 through the Hon. Secretary, War Loan and War Gifts Committee, Jaigaon.

For Armoured Carriers for the Indian Army: Rs. 202/6 through the Hon. Secretary, War Loan and War Gifts Committee, Jaigaon.

Grand Total on Monday: Rs. 56,97,745/10/4.

The Jagannath Fishermen who won the Nadkarni Football Finals on Sunday by beating the Y.M.C.A. with a solitary goal.

Bombay Goan Soccer

Golden Jubilee To Meet Young Goans In Final

St. Joseph's Go Down After Great Fight

The Bombay Goan Football Championship for the "Ave Maria" Trophy has now reached its last stage and the final will be played on Sunday, May 18, at the Cross Maidan commencing from 5-15 p.m.

The second semi-final between Golden Jubilee and St. Joseph's Night School was played during the week-end, and soccer of a very high standard was seen by over two thousand football fans. Golden Jubilee won by a solitary goal.

The encounter between these two sides which had come up after beating several excellent teams created much interest and attention of fans was drawn to a very fast contest. The match began at an amazingly rapid pace and St. Joseph's were exceedingly unlucky not to score at least on four occasions. They were definitely better, and combining well in the forward line swept everything before them at times, but continuous fumbles in the goal area staved off many threats, and Golden Jubilee defenders breathed easily As a team St. Joseph's exhibited far superior ability over their opponents and worked ceaselessly from the first to the last minute of play. In defence, too, St. Joseph's played a flawless game, but even their good work was useless as the forwards spoilt several chances of scoring.

Golden Jubilee pressed as hard as they could, but found St. Joseph's backs defending stubbornly On several occasions the Jubilee forwards surged downfield only to be denied a goal. Their forwards were scarcely impressive but a goal scored by Benjamin off a pass from F. Fernandes before half time, paved their way to success and final victory.

St. Joseph's never faltered after this and scared as they were by this mischance, fought their way back doggedly but finished a day replete with thrills but no goal. They lost, but fought gloriously and accepted their defeat with the best of spirit

Jepsen Cup Hockey:

B. B. & C. I. RLY. BEAT ST. XAVIERS

BOMBAY, Monday.

The B. B. and C. I. Railway took another step forward in the Jepsen Cup Hockey Tournament, when they beat St. Xavier's College by two goals to nil on the Association ground this evening.

The Collegians though beaten played well and were unlucky not to score at least once. Thappa and Egbert played a heroic game and tried to save a big defeat.

The Railway were better and converted whenever a chance presented itself. Foster was responsible for both the Railway's goals.

TUESDAY'S MATCH

G. I. P. Rly. (Kalyan) v St. Mary's Old Boy's, 5-30 p.m.

Obaidullah Khan Gold Cup

Nagpur Muslims Hold Bombay Young Sports In Goalless Draw

BHOPAL, May 12

Over six thousand persons saw the Muslim Sporting Club from Nagpur hold the Young Sports from Bombay (last year's runners-up) in a goalless draw in the Second Round of the All-India Obaidullah Khan Gold Cup Hockey Tournament last evening after a thrilling game.

Bombay set a fast pace right from the bully off and their opponents responded speedily. Each goal was visited in turn and honours in the first half were fairly even though Nagpur were unlucky to miss two sitters.

On resumption, Bombay enjoyed territorial advantage during the first fifteen minutes and should have scored at least twice. Their wingers G. Fernandes and G. D'Penha put in some fine runs down the flank and the former's fine angular drives often missed the mark by inches. The closing stages of the game became very exciting but the respective defences held out and the final whistle found the score-board blank.

For Bombay, their full-backs Mundis and Ismail Khan played a great game as also Cohen their pivot. For Nagpur, Divay their centre-half was the best player on the field and was mainly responsible for holding back Bombay's snappy quintette.

Following are the teams:—

Young Sports, Bombay: V. Pereira, M. Mundis and Ismail Khan; A. Days, M. Cohen and S. D'Souza; G. Fernandes, M. Almeida, B. Coutts, B. L. Waghirkar and G. D'Penha.

Muslim Sporting Club, Nagpur: Sinoo; Mahbubkhan and Shinde; Masoukhan, V. B. Divay and Ahmed; Rajratnam, Mustafakhan, Ramsarup, Theodore and Aiimkhan.

Earlier, Muslim Sporting Club, Kamptee, easily moved into the third round at the expense of Rashidia 'A' of Bhopal whom they beat by three goals to nil.—A.P.

WHIRLAWAY WINS PREAKNESS STAKES

NEW YORK: May 12.

Mr. Warren Wright's whirlaway, winner of the Kentucky Derby, during the previous week-end, won the valuable Preakness Stakes at Pimlico, Baltimore, beating King Cole by five lengths, without boots, two lengths behind the third. Whirlaway ridden by Eddie Arcaro, is the son of Blenheim, the English Derby winner of 1930, and covered the Pimlico course of nine furlongs in one minute 58 4/5th seconds.—Reuter.

DISTRICT EXHIBITIONS IN MYSORE

The District and Taluk Conferences held periodically in many parts of the State have proved not only popular with the people of Mysore but also served to emphasise the progress made in many directions of constructive activity. Besides, such conferences intended to bring between the Government and people closer and closer. At the District Conference held at Tumkur last month, in addition to the routine of the Conference proceedings, a District Exhibition of agricultural and industrial products was also organized with the help of the departmental officers concerned. The exhibition of articles of various local industries, demonstrations in improved methods of weaving, mat-making, pottery and rope-making by cocoanut coir, etc. were organised.

POPULARITY OF BRINDAVAN GARDENS

The Brindavan Gardens in Mysore have now a magical appeal to visitors from all corners of India and other countries Year after year the celebrated Gardens are visited by more and more number of people. In 1939-40, over 2,30,000 people visited the Gardens as against 2,17,400 in the previous year.

GOVERNOR'S ASSURANCE TO KARACHI MAYOR.

KARACHI, May 12.

"The administration of an Indian city from my personal experience, I know, is a task which involves great anxiety and unremitting toil. A large and growing city like Karachi will never be without serious problems", observes his Excellency the Governor of Sind, Sir Hugh Dow, in the course of a letter congratulating Mr. M. H. Gazdar on being elected as Mayor of Karachi.

The Governor wishing him success in his office of mayoralty of Karachi assures Mr. Gazdar of support in solving the civic problems of Karachi.—A. P.

CALCUTTA FOOTBALL.

CALCUTTA, May 12.

The following are results of matches played in the First Division of Calcutta Football League to-day:—

Rangers 5, Customs 1.
E. B. Railway 5, A. Military Team 1
Kalighat 1, East Bengal 0.
Bhowanipore 1, Aryans 0.

ALIGARH TEAM

The Aligarh University Football Team, which is on a tour of various provinces is now in Calcutta. They have already played two matches here, one against the E. B. Railway and the other against the Mahommedan Sporting. In the former match, they beat the Railway by five goals to two while in the latter, they lost to the Mahommedan Sporting by two to one.

The team, which is being captained by Samad (Junior), formerly a Calcutta footballer, will also play against some selected sides at Benares, Allahabad, Lucknow, Patna and Cawnpore on their way back.—A. P.

OBAIDULLAH CUP HOCKEY

Bhopal, May 12

The Khalsa College Amritsar (Holders) were lucky to survive their first appearance in the Obaidullah Khan Gold Cup Hockey Tournament this evening when the Lucknow Rovers displaying magnificent form almost brought off a big surprise in the second round, the game ending in a draw, each side scoring once.

Later in the evening the Shamla Club, Bhopal, (thrice winner of the Trophy) trounced the Dharhanpur Selected by four goals to nil to move in to the third round.—A.P.

BOMBAY UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

Inter Commerce And M.B.B.S. Results

The results of the Intermediate Examination in Commerce and of the B. Com. examination of the Bombay University held in March last and the results of the First M. B. B. S examination (old and new rules), Second M. B. B. S. examination and Third M. B. B. S examination held in April last were declared on Monday afternoon.

In the Intermediate examination in Commerce out of 522 candidates who appeared, 260 were declared successful, the percentage of successful students being 49.62, as against 52.98 last year.

Of the 280 students who appeared for the B. Com. examination 123 passed the percentage of successful candidates being 43.92, as against 33.32 last year.

One hundred students passed the First M.B.B.S. examination out of 224, the percentage being 44.64. In the Second M.B.B.S. examination 17 out of 20 students passed, securing the high percentage of 85. Out of 241 students who appeared for the Third M.B.B.S. examination, 91 passed, the percentage of passes being 37.76.

The following candidates have passed the Examination:—

FIRST CLASS (In order of merit):—Nos. 154, 192, 158.

SECOND CLASS:—Nos. 8 18 26 29 33 39 43 45 54 57 59 60 64 65 67 76 79 81 90 98 106 131 143 148 152 153 155 161 164 166 172 174 175 179 180 183 184 191 195 198 200 202 203 204 206 210 212 217 222 225 236 237 240 241 245 247 249 251 306 307 309 342 385 465 464 465 473 474 484 494 496 497 505 508 509

PASS:—Nos. 2 9 12 14 15 16 17 21 22 23 27 30 36 37 40 41 44 47 49 58 62 63 66 68 71 72 74 75 77 78 80 82 83 87 88 91 92 93 95 102 103 104 108 109 110 113 115 116 119 122 123 124 125 127 128 134 136 137 138 140 145 165 167 168 169 170 171 177 181 187 199 208 213 214 215 220 221 227 234 238 242 243 244 255 256 260 261 262 263 265 266 268 269 271 273 276 277 279 280 283 284 285 286 287 289 293 294 295 298 300 301 308 311 312 314 315 316 319 320 321 322 326 327 330 334 341 343 346 348 354 364 367 368 369 371 373 377 383 389 390 401 403 410 418 419 420 421 426 427 429 431 435 438 442 457 461 462 467 471 475 479 480 481 483 485 498 502 503 506 510 513 515 516 517 518 519 520 521 522 522 524 525.

The results of candidates Nos. 332 and 339 are reserved.

The Scholarships have been awarded as under:—

1. The Sir James Begbie Scholarship in Commerce to No. 134.

2. The Mangaldas Harivallabhdas Commerce Scholarship divided between Nos. 161 and 497.

B. COM EXAM. RESULTS.

The following candidates have passed the Examination:—

SECOND CLASS:—Nos 6 12 14 25 44 45 54 72 73 76 112 121 124 126 132 144 175 179 181 196 205 209 214 220 234 236 253.

PASS:—Nos 2 3 5 7 8 18 19 21 24 27 33 36 38 39 49 58 60 63 77 81 93 98 100 101 106 107 109 110 114 115 116 119 120 125 129 134 138 140 142 143 145 150 151 153 154 156 160 163 167 168 170 172 174 180 182 185 187 190 191 192 194 197 198 200 206 208 210 211 216 219 223 224 228 231 233 240 241 243 244 246 247 250 259 263 265 271 273 278 279 283 284 287.

Passed in an Additional Special Subject only:—Nos. 10 31 48 207.

The Mangaldas Harivallabhdas Commerce Prize has been awarded to No. 76.

FIRST M.B. B.S., (OLD AND NEW RULES.)

The following candidates have passed the Examination:—

Pass:—Nos. 3 5 7 9 10 11 13 14 17 18 19 23 24 26 28 29 30 36 38 41 43 45 49 51 53 56 58 59 60 63 65 68 71 73 74 75 76 78 79 80 82 83 84 89 90 91 92 93 97 99 100 101 102 103 105 109 110 111 112 116 118 119 121 122 125 128 131 132 134 136 139 140 141 152 155 156 157 161 163 166 171 172 176 181 182 184 192 195 200 202 206 208 210 212 217 218 219 223 224 226.

The Scholarships have been awarded as under:—

1. The Sir James Fergusson Scholarship in Medicine to No. 140.

2. The Lady Reay Medical Scholarship to No. 18.

3. The Doctor Yeshwant Govind Nadgir Scholarship to No. 140.

SECOND M.B., B.S. EXAM.

The following candidates have passed the examination:—

PASS:—Nos. 1 3 4 5 6 7 8 10 11 12 14 15 16 17 18 19 20.

The Bai Ratanbai Ratanji Lentin Scholarship is awarded to Candidate No. 41 (Miss Kamartaj Moulvi) of the Second M.B., B.S Examination held in December, 1940.

THIRD M.B., B.S.

The following candidates have passed the Examination:—

PASS:—Nos. 4 5 9 21 29 36 39 40 41 42 49 58 59 71 72 76 77 87 90 94 107 109 110 111 112 114 119 123 125 130 131 140 141 142 150 154 155 160 161 166 167 169 170 173 178 184 185 187 191 196 197 198 202 204 205 206 207 208 209 211 212 213 214 215 216 217 218 219 220 221 223 224 225 226 227 228 229 230 231 232 234 237 236 237 238 239 240 241 242 243 244.

PASSED IN GROUP A ONLY:—Nos 3 12 17 23 73 95 122 164 175.

PASSED IN GROUP B ONLY:—Nos 15 18 30 34 43 63 65 103 135.

INDIAN SOLDIER'S COURAGEOUS ACTION.

SIMLA, May 12.

A Havildar of the Rajputan Rifles, whose prompt action rescued a trapped British tank from almost certain destruction, has been awarded the Indian Distinguished Service Medal, says a Press Note.

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ALLAHABAD, May 12.—Elaborate arrangements are being made for the forthcoming Kumbh mela which is held here every twelfth year and attracts lakhs of pilgrims from different parts of India.—A. P.

Western India Football Championship

Poor Entries Received: Draw And Fixtures

BOMBAY, Monday.

The draw for the Western India Football Championship which took place at the Cooperage this evening attracted only fourteen teams this year. In spite of being the premier tournament, response from local teams was indeed poor. None of the Poona teams made their appearance this year, and teams participating are mostly those that entered the Nadkarni Cup Football Tournament.

If the entries are poor, the quality of those teams participating will be indeed high. The first match which begins on Thursday between the W.I.A.A. and the Muslim S. C. should draw a good crowd and a keen contest is anticipated.

The following is the draw:—

TOP HALF.

Jagannath Fishermen v Apollo Rainbow.
South Kanara 'A' v Central Bank
Muslim S. C. v W.I.A.A. Staff.
B.E.S.T v Young Mangaloreans.

BOTTOM HALF.

Bombay Gymkhana v St. Francis S.C.
Y.M.C.A v South Kanara.
B. B. and C. I. Railway (Bye) v Bombay City Police (Bye.)

FIXTURES.

Thursday May 15: Muslim S. C. v W.I.A.A.
Friday, May 16: Bombay Gymkhana v St. Francis S. C.
Saturday, May 17: Y.M.C.A. Staff v South Kanara.
Sunday, May 18: South Kanara 'A' v Central Bank.
Monday, May 19: B.E.S.T. v Young Mangaloreans.
Tuesday, May 20: Jagannath Fishermen v Apollo Rainbow.
Wednesday, May 21: B. B. and C. I. Railway v City Police.

INTER-UNIVERSITY TOURNAMENTS

CALCUTTA, May 12.

The responsibility of running the tournaments, held under the auspices of the All-India Inter-University Board has been allocated to the different Universities this year as follows:—

Madras — (Tennis); Aligarh—(Hockey); Calcutta—(Football); Bombay—(Cricket); The Punjab—(Athletics); and Allahabad—(Swimming).

The zonal tournaments will be conducted as follows:—

EAST ZONE:—(Tennis)—(Allahabad); (Hockey—Patna); (Football—Calcutta) and (Cricket—Benares.)

NORTH ZONE:—(Tennis—Lucknow); (Hockey—Aligarh); (Football—Delhi) and (Cricket—the Punjab).

CENTRAL ZONE:—(Tennis—Nagpur); (Hockey — Osmania); (Football and Cricket—Bombay)

SOUTH ZONE:—Tennis—Madras); (Hockey—Travancore); Football—Annamalai) and (Cricket—Mysore).—A. P.

Ganga Dasara Aquatic Tournaments

Benares, May 12

Teams from Calcutta and other parts of the country are expected to take part in the Ganga Dasara Aquatic tournaments to be held in Benares for three days from June 3 to 5 under the direction of the Manik Physical Institute, Benares.—A.P.

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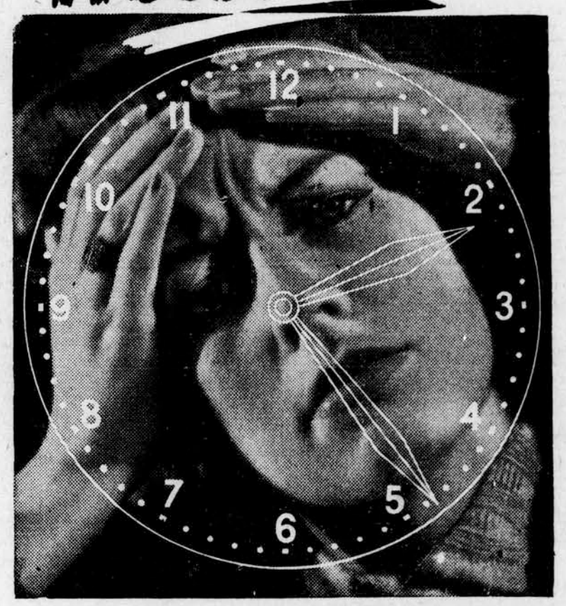

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INDIAN AUTOMOBILE INDUSTRY

It is painfully intriguing that when everybody in India felt that an automobile industry in Mysore with State help was almost an accomplished fact and congratulated the State on its enterprise and its spirit of Swadeshi the Government suddenly dropped the whole plan. The position has been rendered more intriguing by the fact the Dewan, Sir Mirza Ismail, who enthusiastically supported the scheme, has felt constrained to resign on the ground, among others, that the Durbar turned it down at the last moment. More light needs to be thrown on the details of the whole scheme, on what was expected from the State, and where precisely the hitch came. It was generally believed that the Mysore Government had already agreed to give certain concessions to the promoters of the plan such as the grant of site, water and electric energy at concession rates and that they had also almost agreed, subject to certain conditions, to underwrite a capital of Rs. 1½ crores and to guarantee an annual interest of three and a half per cent on the invested capital. The public would like to know more about where a hitch arose in the negotiations with the State.

Bright Prospects

On the need for an Indian automobile industry and fair prospects for a sound concern there can be no two opinions. In 1937-38 India imported nearly 31,000 motor cars, buses and trucks and it is estimated that the number of such vehicles running in British India excluding the three cities Bombay, Madras and Calcutta, is about 1,50,000. The use of these vehicles for all kinds of transport is steadily increasing, even apart from the special needs of the war, while their supply from abroad is much curtailed under war conditions. There is, therefore, a vast and growing market for motor cars in the country. Nor is there any dearth of raw material, capital and skilled labour. Investigations made by Sir M. Visvesvaraya, Mr. Walchand Hirachand and Mr. P. Advani, the Director of Industries, Bombay, in foreign countries and the cautious calculations based on their reports show that the prospects of an Indian automobile concern are excellent; so much so that an American company offered to finance an Indian concern if it was given a 51 per cent interest in it.

Need For Wider Publicity

In these circumstances all that is needed is a sound scheme and a little initial State help to reassure those capitalists who, through ignorance or for other reasons, are shy of pioneer ventures. Certain critics of Mr. Walchand's scheme say that some of its details detract from its value as a pure Swadeshi concern and that it is for this reason that several patriotic financiers are not supporting the scheme. But if the alleged defect is that at the outset some parts will have to be imported and assembled here, it is certainly better than importing all parts for an indefinite period. However, it will be well for the promoters of the proposed concern to publish all the details of their scheme and make out a case for such of its features as are likely to be adversely criticised. Sir M. Visvesvaraya, who has reason to regret that "Mysore has missed the bus", assures the public that the promoters are putting their heads together to see what could be done to establish the factory elsewhere." We are confident the scheme will materialise soon enough if only for the reason that it is sound business, many supporting it also because it is a great Swadeshi pioneer enterprise.

Government's Duty

It is also time the Government of India reconsidered their attitude towards this industry. In their Communique of December last they misunderstood the scheme in question and exaggerated the difficulties in the way of its success. But since then Sir M. Visvesvaraya has issued an elaborate statement correcting the wrong impressions of the Government and suggesting ways out of real difficulties. If the war is prolonged, as it threatens to be, it will be in the interests of Government as well as of the people to make the country as self-reliant as possible in respect of its motor vehicles. The promoters of the proposed scheme may well consider the feasibility of leading a deputation to the Viceroy to impress upon him the need for making a joint effort to promote a highly promising industry, invaluable in times of war as well as peace.

Interesting Announcement

Although it will have no direct bearing on the immediate progress of events a new and interesting development has taken place in the Iraq situation. The Tass Agency announces the establishment of diplomatic relations with Iraq. It is emphasised that Iraq has been repeatedly proposing such establishment since the end of 1940 but that the proposal was invariably accompanied by conditions. Rashid Ali's proposal was without any conditions and therefore, the Soviet Government has accepted it. The conditions that were unacceptable have not yet been fully clarified. But it is plain that the acceptance of Rashid Ali's proposal is a gesture not exactly favourable to Britain, particularly since we recall a report that the Moscow radio has been giving the German version of the events in Iraq. In any case, this diplomatic development will not very much affect the situation, which, we still earnestly hope, will be redeemed through Turkish mediation.

Arthur Moore Disowned!

That Calcutta English businessmen are still unable to move with the changing times is illustrated by the letter sent by the Bengal Chamber of Commerce to the Editor of the "Statesmen". The Chamber speaks of clearing the misunderstanding that may exist in the minds of the British public that Mr. Moore and the "Statesman's" editorial policy represent the opinions of the British business community here. Mr. Arthur Moore should regard that as the highest compliment paid to him by his compatriots in India, for he will now realise something of that annoyance, that irritation that we in India have felt for years and years at the attitude of the Englishman in India. But Mr. Arthur Moore should not be disheartened for there are a number of Englishmen in other parts of India and even in Britain, who are beginning to feel like men, instead of being the fossilized specimens they have so long been. *Ol Tempora, Ol Mores.*

Frankly Speaking

R. A. F. vs. Luftwaffe

The Germans are furiously trying for all they are worth to spread destruction and devastation in England. The last raid on London was particularly brutal and there need be little doubt that the Luftwaffe will continue attempting to destroy British key towns and harbours. Will it succeed? British night fighters are breaking their own records nigh after night in bringing down the raiders, so that last Saturday night the Luftwaffe lost no less than 33 planes. These increasing successes are reminiscent of the early days of the Battle of Britain. It is not impossible that last year's history of aerial fighting in day light may be repeated this year by British night fighters. Nor are the British remaining on the defensive. The R. A. F. is striking at Germany in ever increasing strength and one of the recent night offensives was carried out by a record number of about 400 bombers. This number, though encouraging, does not, however, indicate that the British have almost reached parity with the Germans. The Luftwaffe has sometimes used about 700 night bombers.

Changes In Spain

According to the Berlin correspondent of a Swiss newspaper "new diplomatic successes confidently anticipated by Berlin have not materialised". Nazi diplomacy works in the strictest secrecy and it is not possible for any one to be certain as to what Nazi diplomats want and are doing at a given moment. Subject to this proviso developments in Spain, for instance, do apparently suggest that Germany is not meeting with the success that she might have expected. General Franco has announced important administrative changes in Spain involving the appointment of his own personal supporters as civil governors of Madrid and seven other important centres. In this connection, the German Radio actually described the dismissal of the former Madrid Governor, a well-known Falangist, as "very surprising". Moreover, the press of Senor Sunner's pro-Nazi Falange party, has now been subjected to censorship like other newspapers. All this tends to indicate that General Franco does not want to yield to his wild men who under Senor Suner, are clamouring for Spanish collaboration with the Nazis in the present war. Finally, a Madrid newspaper has had the courage to say openly that the most urgent task of the Spaniards is to rebuild Spain rather than pursue "shining missions" of "historical aggrandisement". All this clearly suggests a policy of peace. But it must be remembered, on the other hand that General Franco is under a deep debt of gratitude to the Axis and that Senor Suner has behind him the mechanised might of Herr Hitler.

Vichy And Berlin

The position as regards France is equally uncertain. It is now almost a week since there were announced a Franco-German agreement along with the concessions granted by Germany to France. But even now complete reticence is being maintained both by Berlin and Vichy as to the return that Germany has received for those concessions. This has naturally given rise to a number of suggestions ranging from the passage of German troops through unoccupied France to the establishment of German Naval and air bases in French Africa and Syria. And a cynic may possibly regard the present tour in North Africa of Vichy's Air Minister as corroborating the latter suggestion. There are, however, two considerations to discount this suggestion. There is, first, the word of honour of Marshal Petain as regards Anglo-French relations as also his reputed determination not to go beyond the terms of the Franco-German Armistice. There is, secondly, the announcement of an agreement whereby the U.S.A. will provisionally allow Vichy to buy two shiploads of wheat every month "providing the general situation does not change".

Assam Flood

The water of the river Barak in Assam, which runs by the town of Silchar has swelled by about twenty feet within the last three days, with the result that extensive damage has been done to houses, trade and traffic in that area. Prices of foodstuffs have gone up, and the Deputy Commissioner has issued a warning in this respect. Several houses have collapsed and big trees have been uprooted. It is hoped that the authorities will give every possible relief to the poor inhabitants who might thereby be rendered homeless and stricken by the floods. A committee should be set up to inquire at the earlier possible opportunity into the damage done and into the measures that should be taken to relieve the distress.

King Hall Newsletter

Nazis In Iraq, Iran And Spain

It has been common knowledge for many months past that Nazi agents have been active both in Iraq and Iran. These Nazi activities, and much more in addition, must have been known to the Foreign Office. It is also common knowledge that little attention is being paid by the Iraqi Government to suggestions that duty and their own self-interest demanded that they should cooperate more actively with Britain to whose good offices and sacrifices in the last war Iraq owed its existence as an independent state. We hear on good authority that Britain's old and trusted friend, Ibn Saud, still stands firmly on our side and, though a personal friend of Rashid Ali did use his influence to try and keep the Iraqi usurper on the rails. But Rashid Ali was hypnotised by the German successes and is now in a frame of mind in which only a signal military defeat would be of any use in bringing him to his senses.

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The Nazis have once again given the world a striking example of the fact that the strategy of total war consists in an intelligent combining of military and political operations. They are attacking the Middle East with military operations from Libya whilst endeavouring to assault it from the rear by these political activities in Iraq which have now flared up into military operations. In addition they have gone a considerable distance towards encircling Turkey. We have no exact information as to the extent, if any, to which the Nazis up to the present have been able to send concrete help to their allies in Iraq and are inclined to think it would be difficult for them to do so even with troop-carrying planes unless they can obtain the use of aerodromes in Syria. Even these would be difficult to use unless the Nazis first made an assault on Cyprus. A few years ago the notion would have been ridiculed that any hostile force could descend on Cyprus whilst the British Mediterranean Fleet controlled the seas. But the events of this war to date have shown that the greatest attention must be paid to the potentialities of air-borne troops, especially for the seizure of islands. We have reason to believe that it was the German intention to make an air-borne descent on Crete but that this plan was foiled by the fact that a substantial body of imperial forces evacuated from the Greek mainland managed to get there first, thus strongly reinforcing the troops already there.

Last week this correspondence referred to the political operations which the Nazis are conducting in Spain and North West Africa. Here is some further information on this subject which we feel should be made known, not only because it discloses the forces with which Britain has to deal in order to maintain her position in the Mediterranean and Africa, but also because it is a further indication of the Nazi strategy of total war which is being carried on in parts of the world where our command of the seas denies Germany the possibility of conducting military operations.

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On April 9 the German Consulate at Tangier was officially reopened with a gala celebration to which the most violently anti-British and pro-German Spanish Falangists and Arab leaders were invited. German officials, from the Consul down, went out of their way to impress on their guests the immense power of the Third Reich which had just fought its way to Salonika in a compaign lasting only three days. Effective use was also made of the German reconquest of Libya. Since then reports which come to us describe a steady stream of Arab visitors at the German Consulate who are known to be carrying on subversive activities on behalf of their Nazi masters.

As in Spain itself, German agents in Tangier and Morocco are urging on Falangists to support the German cause in order to bring about the final overthrow of the western democracies and thus make possible the Falangist dream of a great Spanish Empire of the future. The extent to which these befuddled Falangists are being duped may be judged from the fact that German agents in Morocco are at the same time promising Moors that the defeat of Britain will make possible a great Moorish empire in North Africa.

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Through these artifices the Nazis are able to go about the business of developing their schemes for extending their domination deep into Africa. New aerodromes are being constructed in Morocco, one of the largest of which is reported to be taking shape along the road between Etuan and Tangier where German engineers are busy on the job of superintending the building of underground hangars and other facilities for a first class air base. According to our informant emplacements are also being constructed on the coast of Spanish Morocco for guns which may one day be turned on Gibraltar so as to make the harbour useless as a British naval base.

Gibraltar, like the idea of a great Spanish Empire, is a juicy bait for the Nazis to hold before the Power-hungry Falangists and it is only with the greatest difficulty that General Franco, who genuinely wants to stay out of war, has thus far been able to restrain this impetuous faction of his country men. He has been unable to prevent concentrations of Spanish troops in Algeciaras, San Roque and other points in the neighbourhood of the Rock. Many Spanish soldiers have recently been going to Morocco and Tangier and our correspondent reports that the question which appears to be on the lips of all of these is "Where and how far distant is Gibraltar?" Not long ago British residents in Tangier were startled by the story of a Spanish naval commander proclaiming in a loud voice in a local cafe that Spain would very soon attack Gibraltar and that he had already volunteered to take part in the assault.

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At the instigation of the Nazis the Spaniards have torn up one clause after another of the treaty which regulates the Interna-

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A Letter To Sir Roger Lumley

From D. F. KARAKA

DEAR SIR,

This letter could have been addressed to Mr. Amery or Lord Linlithgow or any other Englishman of that official hierarchy to which, Sir, you have the privilege to belong. My preference for you is guided by the consideration that you are sufficiently symbolic of the "class" to which I want to address myself without being too remote as are Mr. Amery and the noble lord.

The purpose of this letter is to draw to your attention a book written by a fellow-countryman of yours—not a public-school-man but sufficiently respectable to have been a foreign correspondent on the most respectable of London papers, *The Times*. I refer to "A Prophet at Home" which is the last of the trilogy written by Douglas Reed. That this book should be obtainable in India when "Guilty Men" is, shall I say, "difficult to obtain", shows that official quarters in this country are slow in moving and that a journalist on a national paper reads an English book meant chiefly for Englishmen, sooner than Englishmen themselves. Otherwise, I see little hope of this book continuing to be available at a time, when you are salvaging the prestige of the ruling class from the debris in which it now finds itself. And yet strange as it may seem, the reason why I, as an individual, feel so much for Britain in this war is because of what men like Douglas Reed have told us and not because of all the speeches that have been delivered by Mr. Amery in England and the rest of the high officials in India. This is the only justification I feel—and I speak entirely as an individual—for helping those in England who are to-day fighting with their backs to the wall. Justification—because the common people of England have been brought to this pass by a clique of men at the head of affairs who have between them completely bungled the affairs of that country and hopelessly mismanaged policy with the result that that country is to-day involved in a life and death struggle and youth faces youth on land, sea and air with the sole purpose of their mutual extinction. Were it that the common people of England had had a chance of shaping their destiny, I would not have felt the same urge to help them as I do now.

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Let me illustrate my point from Reed's book. Speaking of the danger that Germany presented to the world, Reed says: "I knew that the British Ambassador in Berlin, Sir Horace Rumbold, seven years ago, just after the coming of Hitler in 1933, had in well-measured words given precise warning of the character of the new regime in Germany and of the dangers it must lead to. He knew Germany. I knew that the permanent head of the British Foreign Office of that time, Sir Robert Vansittart, was of exactly the same mind and that his opinions, who also knew Germany, had been set aside in favour of those of men who did not; I knew that he had been promoted downstairs by his appointment as 'Chief Diplomatic Adviser', and that in major crises in our affairs with Germany the counsel of men who did not know Germany had prevailed, for instance, the 'Chief Economic Adviser', Sir Horace Wilson. I knew that correspondents of *The Times* in Berlin, of whom I had been one, had given precisely the same warning, also with chapter and verse, for seven years before the coming of this war, with as little avail. I knew that Norman Ebbutt, the Chief correspondent of *The Times* in Berlin, when Hitler came to power, wrote, in April of that year (1933): 'Herr Hitler, in his speeches as Chancellor, has professed a peaceful foreign policy. But this does not prove that the underlying spirit of the new Germany is a peaceful one. Germany is inspired by the determination to recover all it has lost and has little hope of doing so by peaceful means. Influential Germans do not see ten years elapsing before the war they regard as natural and inevitable breaks out in Europe. One may hear five or six years mentioned."

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'Why were these warnings by men who knew the real state of affairs discounted? Douglas Reed says: "Why were they discounted, or even suppressed, in so great a matter as a new European war? Why was the public, which received a true report of every stroke in a game of tennis at Wimbledon or of every kick in a cup final at Wembley, why was the public misled and misinformed about such things as the making of a war, so that it doddered uncomplainingly and unsuspectingly along, confident in the assurances of its leaders that peace would prevail in our time, until, suddenly war came upon it?" Today when we of this country who are in no way responsible for your war—(and after all it is your war first, isn't it?)—are called upon to make an effort, surely we have right to know the answer and to be assured that our destiny too will not be bungled by this same ruling class in whose hands our destiny regrettably lies. That will also explain to you, Sir, what we mean when we say that some assurance must be given to us about controlling our destiny in the future, before we plunge headlong and in blind faith to your rescue.

Long before Munich, the British Government had admitted the necessity of rearmament. In fact it was admitted by the same Mr. (now Lord) Baldwin who said in 1935 that had he told the country that Germany was rearming and they must rearm also, he would have made the loss of the election certain from the Tory point of view. Two thousand million pounds were voted and spent "and yet in 1939, Mr. Neville Henderson, one of Mr. Chamberlain's main apologists, said that at the time of Munich—in September 1938!—Britain had hardly a single aeroplane or anti-aircraft gun!" And when Lord Halifax at the outbreak of the war said in a speech at the Sheldonian at Oxford that "the real conflict to-day was not between youth and age but between youth and youth" one feels that the limit of audacity has been reached—unashamed audacity of a type unrivalled in the history of the world.

And my point is this, Sir. When those who have ruled Britain—the Chamberlains, Halifaxs, Samuel Hoares and John Simons and those who ruled India too have been proved by their own people to have been so unequal to the task before them, so hopelessly bankrupt of statesmanship, of vision and of clear thinking, what inducement is there for us to help them out of the mess into which they have got themselves—unless it is the inducement offered to us that in the future not these men but our own people will shape our destiny and control our policy—financial economic and foreign? Did you go to the help of China and invoke the League Covenant against Japan and declare war on it? No. Did you go to help Abyssinia? The answer was still, no. Austria? No. Republican Spain? No. Yet to-day with less justifica-

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TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

MOSCOW, May 12.

The establishment of diplomatic relations with Iraq by the Soviet Union was announced by the Tass Agency.

The Agency says this follows a proposal by the Iraq Government on May 3 which was received via the Soviet Embassy at Ankara.—Reuter.

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The debating Chamber of the House of Commons was destroyed in Saturday night's blitz on London.

Mr. Amery, however, need not bother about it. He can still hear himself speaking to various nations in their own languages from so many platforms including the B. B. C.

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Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, who has reached Simla now, has proclaimed that he is going to demand the summoning of a Round Table Conference by the Viceroy.

The distinguished Bengal Premier's usual apology coupled with sincere assurances to the Qaid-e-Azam will, of course, follow in due course.

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The U. P. Liberal Association has demanded from the Government "a clear and unequivocal declaration that they will not entertain any proposal to destroy the territorial integrity and unity of India."

But Mr. Amery may urge that Mr. M. A. Jinnah is not Herr Hitler.

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HOSTILITIES IN IRAQ
States' Muslims' Concern
—Headline to a States Muslim League resolution

We are now beginning to hope that the Working Committee of the All-India Muslim League too may wake up to express its concern in, say, about a month's time.

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According to His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury "our first war aim must be the destruction of the powerful evil force of Germany and the liberation of the nations held in bondage."

And His Grace's second war aim should be to demand the expulsion of the Negus from Abyssinia.

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In the Amba Alagi sector the Italians are reported to have attacked British troops after raising the white flag of surrender.

The poor Italians must be allowed the consolation of inflicting some casualty somehow.

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The Germans are withdrawing their own troops from Yugoslavia and Greece replacing them with Italian troops.

Il Duce, we hope, will soon goose-step through Athens as the conqueror of Greece.

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Vichy's Secretary of State for Air M. Bergeret is touring North Africa, having so far visited Algiers and Oran.

It is not yet certain whether the object is to supervise preparations for the landing of the collaborators.

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The Independent French News Agency reports the arrival in Syria of 100 German "tourists" and expects another 500 within the next two weeks.

We won't sit up and take notice until M. Bergeret also arrives among them.

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"I dropped in on the young bride last night and found her in tears."

"Oh, dear! And I thought she had such a good match."

"The trouble was the match went out."

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

A ten-pound baby boy can make more noise than a 250-pound man can suppress.

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Appearances would indicate that the average man doesn't get much beauty sleep.

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There isn't much danger of fire in a lodging house unless you pay extra for it.

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After a man has been married about six months he begins to notice how his wife resembles her mother.

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Sometimes after a girl has fished for a man and landed him she doesn't know how to get him off the hook.

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Beware of people who pat you on the back. They may be looking for an opportunity to kick your feet from under you.

IN FORTNIGHT

U. S. Navy Will Be At Work In Atlantic

Eire Must Not Fail Humanity In This Crisis

Prof. Macmahon Appeals To De Valera To Allow Britain To Use Irish Naval Bases

The following cable has been received from London;—

The "Daily Express" New York correspondent cabled on May 10: Congressional leaders in Washington forecast that the American Navy will be at work in the Atlantic within two weeks.

It is generally felt that a momentous decision will be taken in the very near future.

APPEAL TO DE VALERA

NEW YORK, May 12.

An appeal for use by Britain of Irish naval bases is made by Prof. Francis Macmahon, formerly President of the American Catholic Philosophical Association, in an open letter to Mr. De Valera, published in the weekly "Catholic".

He writes: "Egland's cause today is the cause of all humanity. It is likewise the cause of America and Eire. Nothing is dearer to the Irish heart than the religious faith it has cherished for centuries. England now fights for the preservation of that faith. It needs no great imagination to visualise what will be the fate of religion if the Nazi Swastika is substituted for the standard of Britain. Britain's ability to carry on depends on effective delivery of food and munitions. We ask the Irish people for merely the use of three naval bases, Cobh, Berehaven and Lough Swilly. The treaty of 1921 reserved to England these ports. They were and are vital for her defence. In 1938, Mr. Chamberlain gave them back to Ireland as a gesture of friendship, hoping that in any future hour of trial England would not be denied access to them. It would be tragic if the great battle of the Atlantic were lost because their use had been denied. It is unthinkable that Eire will fail humanity in this crisis."—Reuter.

French And Czech Pilots' Great Part In Causing Heavy Loss To "Luftwaffe" On Saturday

LONDON, May 12.

Seven enemy aircraft were destroyed over Britain during the night—four by fighters and three by anti-aircraft gunfire states an Air Ministry 'communique'.

It adds that enemy activity during the night was very widespread but although damage was caused at a number of points it was nowhere heavy.

Bombs were dropped in many widely separated areas but no concentrated attacks were made and the number of casualties is not large.

Following a brief alert in the London area last night a second alert was sounded before midnight.

The destruction of three more enemy aircraft is recorded in an Air Ministry 'communique' issued early this morning.

It says that yesterday evening a number of enemy aircraft approached the Dorset coast. They were intercepted by British fighters and few came inland.

Enemy fighters and fighter-bombers also crossed the coast of East Kent and the Thames Estuary area, but these too came inland only a short distance.

In these attacks three enemy aircraft are known to have been destroyed. Bombs were dropped but reports so far received indicate that there were no casualties and little damage was done.

French And Czech Pilots' Heroism

Free French and Czech pilots helped Britons to make Saturday night's attack on London the costliest which the "Luftwaffe" had suffered in any blitz over Britain.

A French Flight-Lieutenant patrolling the night skies saw a Nazi raider caught by searchlights over the capital. He closed in and after the first attack saw the bomber dive. He followed it down for 7,000 feet. The raider exploded on the ground.

A Czech sergeant-pilot of the same squadron intercepted and destroyed another bomber on its way home. Their Squadron-leader also bagged one which plunged in flames.

One pilot destroyed two bombers within a few minutes after a chase to the Dutch coast. He followed one to sea and, although it strove constantly to regain its base, he caught up with it at only 300 feet altitude near the aerodrome.

At the first attack the raider blew into a great mass of flame. As soon as the British pilot recovered from the glare he saw another bomber take off from the aerodrome. He gave it a long burst from the guns sending it straight to the ground and breaking it up.

The fighter was now down to 50 feet and had to climb quickly to avoid anti-aircraft fire.—Reuter.

SUEZ CANAL ZONE BOMBED THIRD TIME

CAIRO, May 12.

Enemy aircraft raided the Suez canal zone for the third successive night on Saturday, according to an Egyptian Ministry of Interior communique.

Bombs were dropped causing slight damage to property. One person was injured.—Reuter.

HOW ENEMY SHIPS WERE INTERCEPTED

SYDNEY, May 12.

When the German liner "Coburg" and the Norwegian tanker "Ketty Brovig" were intercepted in the Indian ocean they made off in different directions.

The Australian cruiser "Canberra" and the New Zealand cruiser "Leander" immediately shelled and set them on fire. The crews then abandoned ship and were picked up by the cruisers.

The above details were announced by Mr. W. M. Hughes, Australian Navy Minister, to-day.—Reuter.

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Nazi Diplomacy Failing

Plans At Vichy, Ankara & Madrid Not Maturing

ZURICH, May 12

New diplomatic successes confidently anticipated by Berlin have not materialised, according to reports from Berlin.

"A clear decision" by Vichy has not yet been taken on the resumption of collaboration along the lines desired by Germany, says the Berlin correspondent of the 'Basler Nachrichten."

Von Papen's return to Turkey has been delayed and this is considered as a sign that Turkish developments are far from being a 'fait accompli' as recently hinted by the "Berliner Boersen Zeitung", the organ of the Wilhelmstrasse

The new appointments in Spain have been regarded as a sign that the latent opposition between General Franco and Senor Suner over Spain's policy is taking shape. The Wilhelmstrasse insists of course that General Franco's move is exclusively an internal matter.

Finally there is also a hitch in the frontier negotiations at Zagreb between Count Ciano and M. Pavelitch, head of Germany's puppet state of Croatia, which is reported by the Budapest correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten." Croatia, in addition to getting Bosnia and Herzegovina, wants part of Dalmatia which Italy is unwilling to give up.—Reuter.

VON PAPEN LEAVES FOR ANKARA

ISTANBUL, May 12.

Von Papen, the German Ambassador to Turkey, left Berlin by special plane on Sunday to return to his post in Ankara, according to Nazi officials here.

Von Papen has been in Germany for three weeks conferring with Hitler and other Nazi leaders—an unexpectedly long visit.

Political quarters in Turkey await his arrival with great interest as it is believed that he brings the final "definition" of Germany's attitude to Turkey.—Reuter.

MADRAS HINDU SABHA CONFERENCE

TIMVANNAMALAI, May 12.

At a meeting of the Hindu Mahasabha workers held at Tiruvannamalai to-day Dr. P. Varadarajulu Naidu presiding, a Reception Committee was formed for the forthcoming meeting of the Provincial Conference to be held at Tiruvannamalai on 28th and 29th June. Dr. B. S. Moonje, Mr. V. D. Savarkar and Dr. Shyamaprosad Mukherji have been invited to participate in the conference.—A. P.

CURFEW ORDER RESCINDED

BOMBEY Monday.

The Chief Presidency Magistrate has rescinded the order of May 5, 1941 extending the Curfew Order, as from to-day.

There will, therefore, be no Curfew Order to-day and henceforward.

The ban on the assemblage of more than five persons and the restrictions on newspapers from publishing the details of the disturbances are also withdrawn.

The Chief Presidency Magistrate has issued three separate orders giving effect to the withdawals, in which he says that there is no need to continue the restrictions as peace and tranquillity have been re-established.

BUSINESS AS USUAL

Curfew Goes For Good

BOMBAY, Monday.

The withdrawal of the Curfew Order and other riot emergency impositions on the press and society has evoked a sigh of relief from the city and business circles. Irani restaurant keepers were the first to celebrate, this new freedom in improvised 'Polka', 'Waltz' and other dance numbers. The Plebian Victoriawala, the under-dog of the traffic world and his Patrician rival, the 'taxi-driver vied with each other in celebrating the advent of the free flow of hire and non-stop traffic which put an end to their misery of 'short rakins'. The Curfew Order, though comparatively of short duration, was intensely felt more than at any time. Synchronising with the sweltering heat of May and robbing the city Labour of even their 'Mamool' May Day demonstrations, the one day on which the toilers of the world expressed their international solidarity by processions and speeches, the Curfew was more than a 'blackout' to the gay life and business of the city. The seven-to-six regulation made life in affected area worse than a concentration camp, as half the city sleeps on pavements during these hot days. The amenities of cinemas, and the privilege late-going and latch key were denied to many. New films had their 'premiere' postponed and even current releases had to go without their full quota of 'fans', despite good showing. The cinemas, restaurants and transport trade were badly affected, adversely telling upon city amenities. On Monday night, one was pleased at the procession of tram-cars with good load, in contrast to stray cars with a few Tommies or Navies in them. After an unfortunate period of bad blood and bloodletting the city has come again to 'Business as usual.'

U. S. Automobile Workers Decide To Call Strike In 60 Factories

DETROIT, May 12.

The United Automobile Workers' Union on Sunday decided to call a strike in 60 General Motors' Factories on Thursday unless their demands for wage increases are settled by the management before then. Both sides have been negotiating in Washington through the United States' Defence Mediation Board.

The Union demands 'inter alia' a wage increase of ten cents an hour while the management offers an increase of two cents. The Union says that the strike will not affect defence orders but the management says it will.

General Motors defence contracts exceed 700 million dollars. —Reuter.

R. A. F. Delivers Heavy Attack On Hamburg

Nine-Mile Long Ship-Building Yards Threaded With Fire

LONDON, May 12.

R. A. F. bombers last night attacked Hamburg, Bremen and other targets in North-West Germany.-

Details of the attacks on Hamburg and Bremen last night show that the shipbuilding yards in the industrial areas of both cities were subjected to heavy weight high explosive and incendiary bombs. Large fires which started were left burning.

At the same time, according to an Air Ministry communique, smaller attacks were made on other targets including Emden and the docks at Rotterdam.

From these operations four Bombers Command aircraft are missing.

The Communique adds that the docks at the Ymuiden seaplane base on the island of Texel were also attacked last night but all the aircraft returned safely.—R

Before Hamburg could recover from the impact of Saturday's attacks yet another strong force of British bombers was despatched last night to continue the destruction and disorganisation of this great seaport.

The vast expanse of docks and ship-building yards nine miles long lining the banks of the Elbe were threaded and crossed with fire, says the Air Ministry. The Blohm and Voss yards where the famous German capital ships were built in the last war were further damaged by high explosive and incendiary bombs and opposite these yards, flames were leaping high. The industrial quarters of the town were also vigorously attacked.

The weather at Bremen, which was the night's other main target, was equally fine. A pilot said: "It was the kind of night when only the bomb-aimer could be blamed if we missed the target". The attack on Bremen was as heavy as that on Hamburg and, says the Air Ministry, "equally successful." —Reuter.

5 ENEMY AIRCRAFT DESTROYED

LONDON, May 12.

It is now known that five enemy aircraft were shot down in attacks on Southern England before dark on Sunday evening. Four fell to British fighters and one to anti-aircraft gunfire.—Reuter.

SOVIET AND IRAQ

Diplomatic Relations Established

MOSCOW, May 12.

The establishment of diplomatic relations with Iraq by the Soviet Union was announced by the Tass Agency.

The Agency says this follows a proposal by the Iraq Government on May 3 which was received via the Soviet Embassy at Ankara —

The announcement of the establishment of relations with Iraq is made in a statement issued by the Tass Agency according to which the Iraq Government, at the end of 1940, through the medium of its Minister in Turkey had repeatedly proposed to the Government of the U. S. S. R. that it should establish diplomatic relations with Iraq.

On May 2nd 1941, the Iraq Government through the medium of the Soviet Ambassador in Ankara again proposed to establish diplomatic relations between the U. S. S. R. and Iraq. This time the proposal was not made dependent on any condition such as a declaration by the U. S. S. R. Government regarding Arabian countries and the Government of the U. S. S. R. accepted the proposal of the Iraq Government on the establishment of diplomatic relations.—Reuter.

EMIR ABDULLAH IN EXCELLENT HEALTH

Denies Rumour That He Was Shot By His Son

CAIRO, May 12.

Emir Abdullah of Transjordan has personally denied "pernicious rumours" that he was shot by his son during a quarrel over Iraq. The Emir is in excellent health. Rumours are ascribed in Transjordan circles here to "hostile propagandists."—Reuter.

SPEEDING UP LOADING AND UNLOADING

Bevin's Plan For British Ports

LONDON, May 12.

Plans are being speeded up in loading and unloading of ships at Liverpool, Glasgow and Manchester, and measures are already in operation. The dockers are guaranteed a regular wage and regular work instead of former system of casual labour.

The Minister of Labour, Mr. Bevin, hopes to apply the same principle to the other ports in the country. Mr. Bevin said that there must be greater speedup in the rebuilding and repairing the bombed homes of the people.—Reuter.

NO RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF ALIEN SHIPS

Hull's Letter to Senate Commerce Committee

WASHINGTON, May 12.

Mr. Cordell Hull in a letter to the Senate Commerce Committee urges that there shall be no restrictions on the use of foreign ships taken over by the United States. Rear-Admiral Emery Land, Chairman of the United States Maritime Commission, in his testimony before the Committee last week, just published, said that the Government planned to use these ships to carry supplies to Britain through the "blackout areas" under their own flag. Although these areas are not defined, it was indicated by the trend of questions that Admiral Land referred to the combat area under the United States Neutrality Law.—Reuter.

CANADA WANTS 32,000 MEN IN 60 DAYS

Defence Minister's Appeal

OTTAWA, May 12.

"We need about 32,000 men in the next two months", declared Colonel Ralston, Defence Minister, in a broadcast recruiting appeal.

Mr. Coldwell, Acting Leader of the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation in the Commons, announced that over 900 internees brought to Canada from Britain had been released to serve in the British Army.—Reuter

R. A. F. PILOT'S "RECORD SCORE"

LONDON, May 12.

The most successful fighter pilot in the R. A. F. shot down one enemy bomber in Sunday night's raids. This is disclosed by the Air Ministry News Service which states that his individual score is now the highest figure of aircraft definitely destroyed attributed to any R. A. F. pilot. The name of the pilot is not given in accordance with the official policy in the present war of not publicising "aces". A Polish Sergeant Pilot claimed another raider.—Reuter.

ENEMY ENTRAPPED:

British Troops Closing In On 30,000 Italians

INDIANS CAPTURE HILL: ITALIANS FAIL TO RETAIN POSITION DESPITE TREACHERY

KHARTOUM, May 12.

While a strong South African and patriot force is marching from the south on Amba Alagi, the 9,000 feet high natural fortress in Northern Abyssinia,, where some 30,000 Italians are entrenched, British troops are slowly but surely closing in on it from the North.

The British forces are preparing for a determined attack on the fortress, the fall of which is inevitable. The operations taking place in the mountain atmosphere in this region have demanded great stamina and endurance on the part of the attacking force.

Indians engaged in attack on an outlying hill saw white flags appear on its summit. Advancing to accept the surrender of the height, they were allowed to approach within grenade range when the Italians hurled scores of bombs causing some casualties among the Indians. But the Indians continued to advance and successfully took the hill.

ENEMY WITHDRAWS NORTH OF WADALA

LONDON, May 12.

It is learned in London that in South Abyssinia, the enemy has withdrawn from positions astride the road north of Wadala where British troops have surrounded the positions held by enemy Rear Guard.

Successes by British patrols in Libya and further important advances in Abyssinia are described in to-day's communique from the Middle East headquarters in Cairo.

At Tobruk, it states, British mechanised patrols surprised a considerable party of the enemy, inflicting casualties and capturing 32 prisoners.

In the Sollum area, continues the 'communique', our patrols yesterday continued their harrassing tactics and captured an enemy tank mounting an anti-tank gun.

In Abyssinia, advancing from the north on Amba Alaagi, Indian troops have again made important progress, capturing Gumsa and taking four pack-guns together with quantities of other war material.

Meanwhile, the South African troops are continuing their advance northwards on Amba Alaagi. In the southern area operations are proceeding well.

In Iraq, British forces have occupied Rutbah. All is quiet at Habbaniyah and Basra.—Reuter.

Hoover Opposes Joining War

Sufficient Aid To Britain Can Be Given Only If America Keeps Out, He Says

NEW YORK, May 12.

"To go in now is neither wise nor in the interests of either Britain or ourselves", said Mr. Herbert Hoover in a nation-wide broadcast last night.

The United States can give Britain sufficient arms only if she remains out of the war, he said, adding that it would be more consistent with American honesty and American courage for us to face the issue of a declaration of war by Congress as the constitution provides, than to creep into an undeclared war."—Reuter.

German Army In Serbia Looting Homes Of Serbians

NEW YORK, May 12.

The German army in Serbia is conducting a systematic campaign of looting and confiscation of homes and property of Serbians and foreigners and the American Legation seals placed on British property have been violated, according to a message to the "New York Times" from Budapest.—Reuter.

BR. FORCES FOLLOW UP SUCCESSES.

NAIROBI, May 12.

Despite bad weather British forces in the southern sector of Abyssinia are following up their successes, while strong pressure is being maintained by columns operating south of Addis Ababa. The enemy's morale, according to reports received here, is being shaken by ground strafing by South African Air Force and attacks of various patriot armies directed against the Italian flank and the rear. —Reuter.

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The Half-Column
By "Dim"

I am going to devote to-day's Half Column to extracts from "The Daily Herald", London, in which it says that "ladies of leisure must be marched to factories" and that "the idle army of loungers" must not be allowed to continue to exist. If I had money, I'd have a facsimile of this article made and framed and sent to a number of our society women whom I have in mind —who are supposed "to help the war effort"—a dubious, innocuous phrase meaning nothing, accomplishing nothing and still continuing to exist. If any lady, titled or otherwise, is not sure whether my remarks are intended for her, I will, if she writes to me, clarify the issue.

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This is what the "Daily Herald" says: "There are a great many women in this country whose lives have scarcely been touched by the war. Fat purses have protected them, so far from the sterner severities or rationing. they have no household responsibilities—or, if they have, they discharge them by proxy, leaving all the more tiresome tasks to their servants. They chatter over the teacups, and give jolly little bridge parties, just as often as they did before the war. *How many of these claim that "My dear, I'm up to the eyes in war work already" —meaning that they do a little desultory knitting or put in two hours a week behind a canteen counter."*

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"They fully understand that women—other women—must work in war factories. They agree, often with enthusiasm, that unless enough women volunteer, compulsion must be applied—but not to themselves.

What, 'me'? Ridiculous, my dear! How many lumps did you say?"

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It is to the woman who has no domestic responsibility that the Government should direct its appeal for real, hard manual work, by compulsion, if necessary, and only if and when the supply of leisured or uselessly-employed women has been exhausted that housewives and mothers of the working classes and lower middle classes should be touched. That is the gist of what tre "Daily Herald" says. My God, how right it is!

Problem Of Indian Cotton

Move To Compel Mills To Use Short-Staple

CALCUTTA, May 12.

On the suggestion of the Export Advisory Council, the Government of India have asked the views of the Bengal Millowners' Association regarding compulsory consumption of short-staple cotton by Indian mills.

The Council at its third meeting has suggested that the Indian mills should be compelled to consume larger quantities of short-stapple cotton than they usually purchased and that the Government of India should convene a conference of all interests concerned in order to decide on a course of action for increasing the consumption of such cotton, so largely grown in India.—A. P.

AVIATION TRAINING FOR MADRAS U. T. C.

MADRAS, May 12.

The Executive Committee of the Madras Provincial War Committee which met to-day at the Secretariat, it is understood, considered the scheme of giving training in flying to the members of the Madras University Training Corps as well as the question of distribution of more films for war propaganda purposes.—A. P.

IN NAGPUR JAIL

Bajaj Suffers From High Temperature

T. U. C. Chief Convalescing: Satyagraha Arrests And Convictions

NAGPUR, May 12.

Seth Jamnalal Bajaj, who is undergoing mine months' impri Seth Jamnalal Bajaj, who is undergoing nine months' imprifrom fever, his temperature on Sunday being 104 degrees. This morning it was 101.

No Cause For Anxiety

There is, however, no cause for anxiety. It is learnt that arrangements have been made to render necessary medical aid to Seth Bajaj.

T. U. C. Chief's Health

Mr. V. R. Kalappa, President of the A.I.T.U.C., who was keeping indifferent health for some time and was, therefore, released from the Nagpur Central Jail is now convalescing.—A. P.

MRS. PANDIT FOR DEHRA DUN

To Interview Mr. Pandit And Pt. Jawaharlal

ALLAHABAD, May 12.

Mrs. Vijayaluxmi Pandit, former Minister, U. P. Government, left this morning for Dehra Dun to interview Mr. R. S. Pandit in Jail. She intends interviewing Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru also.—A. P.

POLICE RAID OUDH JAMIAT OFFICE

Secretary Taken Into Custody

LUCKNOW, May 12.

The office of the Jamiat-ul-Ulema Oudh was searched by the C. I. D. police who seized, it is reported, some papers and took Mr. Abdul Halim Qamar, the Secretary, into custody. The arrest was made under the Defence of India Rules in connection with the Madhesahaba movement, it is stated.

The office of the Majlisi Ahrar was also searched and some papers are said to have been removed by the police.—A. P.

In The U. P.:

BAN ON ENTRY INTO DELHI

NAINI TAL, May 12.

The U. P. Government, it is understood, have decided to impose a ban on Satyagrahis entering Delhi Province from the United Provinces.

The Government, it is further understood, will make arrest of "selected" Satyagrahis and the unarrested Satyagrahis will be arrested if they march to Delhi.—United Press.

In C. P.

TRIVEDI'S HOUSE SEARCHED

GONDA, May 12.

The residence of Pandit Ram Krishna Trivedi, ex-President of the City Congress Committee, was searched by the police who are reported to have seized some papers.—A. P.

RAIPUR CONVICTIONS

RAIPUR, May 12.

Messrs. Jaskaran Daga, Soubhagya Mal Lunia and Nathuji Bhai have been fined Rs. 500, Rs. 300 and Rs. 100 respectively.

Messrs. Jaideva Satpathi and Mancharlal Shrivastava have got six months' R. I. each.

Mr. Jagannath Baghal was sentenced to four months' R. I. while Messrs. Dhalsingh Gour, and Jorwandas have been sentenced to two months' and one month's R. I. respectively.

Messrs. Adwait Giri, Bhagat Nai, Narayan Rao, Ramananda, Laloo ram, Jagatram and Ram Charan have been sentenced to imprisonment till the rising of the Court.

All these Satyagrahis were arrested on May 1 before they could offer Satyagraha in 72 villages simultaneously according to the plan.—United Press.

BERAR P. C. C PRESIDENT ARRESTED

AMRAOTI, May 12.

Vir Wamanrao Joshi, President of the Berar Provincial Congress Committee, was arrested at Morsi under the Defence of India Rules and taken to Akola jail where his trial will take place on the 13th —A.P.

NEW CHIEF OF VIDARBHA CONGRESS

AKOLA, May 12.

Following the arrest of Mr. Vamanrao Joshi, Mr. Vinayak Bansidhar Vaidya has been nominated President of the Vidarbha Provincial Congress Committee.

BULDANA ARREST

Mr. Kordeguruji in charge of the Buldana District Congress Committee has been arrested. His trial takes place at Buldana to-day.—United Press.

6 MONTHS' R. I. FOR MUDALIAR

BALAGHAT, May 12.

Mr. B. K. Mudaliar, President of the Tehsil Congress Committee who was arrested for offering Satyagraha has been sentenced to six months' R. I.—United Press.

9 Congress Satyagrahis Get R. I. For 1 Month

MADRAS, May 12.

Nine Congressmen were convicted to-day under the Defence of India Rules by the Chief Presidency Magistrate for offering Satyagraha by shouting anti-war slogans in different parts of the city. They were each sentenced to R. I. for one month.—A. P.

MULTAN CONGRESS CHIEF ACQUITTED

LAHORE, May 12.

On an "Amicus Curiae" application filed on behalf of the Lahore High Court Bar Association, Mr. Justice Skemp acquitted to-day Dr. Purshottam Lal, President of the Multan District Congress Committee, who had been sentenced to one year's imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 500 for notifying the District Magistrate of his intention to offer Satyagraha.

This is the second case within the past week in which a Satyagrahi has been acquitted by the High Court on the ground that mere sending of intimation to the District Magistrate that one intends to shout anti-war slogans does not constitute an offence under Rule 121 of the Defence of India Rules. The original ruling was given last week by Mr. Justice Bhide while acquitting Chandi Ram Varma, President of the Ferozepur District Congress Committee, and two other Satyagrahis.—

"IF THERE WERE OTHER EVIDENCE"

Mr. Justice Skemp observed: "I have heard arguments on the point that conceding that the writing of a letter does not amount to an act preparatory to contravention of the provisions of the Defence of India Rules, nevertheless, it may be evidence of such act. I think it possibly might be if there were other evidence, as for example a typed copy of the speech the accused intended to make or the correspondence between him and the Congress Committee about a meeting. There is however no such evidence—nothing but a letter—and after reading the closely argued judgment of Mr. Justice Bhide, dated May 6, 1941, dealing with a similar point, I have decided to accept this revision."

Proceeding His Lordship observed:—Criminal Law ordinarily recognises four stages in the commission of an offence, viz. intention, preparation, attempt and the final act constituting the offence.

While the final act is always punishable and the attempt is generally so, preparation is punishable only in rare cases and intention ordinarily not at all."

The letter 'per se' was proof only of the intention and there was no other evidence to prove preparatory acts.—A. P.

"M. D." LEAVES FOR WARDHA
Satyagraha May Be Resumed In Ahmedabad

BOMBAY, May 12.

Mr. Mahadev Desai, who arrived here this morning, left for Wardha to-night. He will apprise Mahatma Gandhi with details of th recent riots in Ahmedabad and Bombay.

In view of the fact that the situation has now returned to normal, it is expected that Satyagraha which was suspended as a sequel to the outbreak of riot in the city, will be resumed in a day or two.—United Press.

Sir Mirza Ismail who resigned his Dewanship of Mysore.

Sir Mirza Ismail Resigns

Sequel To Differences With Durbar Over Issue Of Automobile Industry

(From A Correspondent)

BANGALORE, May 11.

Sir Mirza Ismail, the Dewan of Mysore has tendered his resignation from May 31, 1941, as a sequel to the turning down of the proposals by the Durbar to establish an automobile factory in Mysore State. Differences of opinion also arose over the appointment of non-official Ministers to the Mysore Executive Council under the Reformed Constitution.

Sir Mirza started as an Assistant Superintendent of Police in 1905 from which position he steadily rose till he was appointed Dewan in 1926.

Sir M. Visvesvaraya in the course of an interview said: "It is unfortunate for Mysore to lose Sir Mirza who is a great patriot and has done much to promote the welfare of the people."

SOVEREIGNTY OF NIZAM

What Majlis Ittihad Muslimeen President Meant

HYDERABAD, (Dn.) May 12.

In the course of a statement issued in reply to the Government Gazette Extraordinary of May 7, the Working Committee of the Central Majlis Ittihadul Muslimeen says that it was not the intention of the president of the Majlis to suggest that the sovereignty of the state vested in the fifteen lakhs of Muslims of the state and that H. E. H. the Nizam merely embodied Muslim sovereignty but what the president of the Majlis meant was that the person of His Exalted Highness and his throne are embodiment of their political and cultural supremacy because it is a Muslim state.

REACTION BLESSED.

The Majlis further welcome the repudiation by the Government of the ideal of responsible Government in the State as demanded in certain quarters

A statement issued by a number of Ulemas disapproves the "A Nal Malik" (I am the King) theory as interpreted in the speeches of some of the leaders of the Majlis and says that His Exalted Highness is the embodiment of Sovereignty of all the subjects of the Dominions in general and the Muslims in particular.—A P.

NIZAM GOVT.'S ACTION AGAINST URDU DAILY

(From Our Correspondent)

HYDERABAD (Dn.) By Mail.

Under the orders of the Government of His Exalted Highness, a leading Urdu daily newspaper of Hyderabad called the "Waqt" has been suppressed on 6th instant and the security of Rs. 2,000 deposited by the Editor of the said paper was also forfeited.

It is stated that the authorities had to take this extreme step in view of the publication of certain articles in the columns of the "Waqt" dated 28th April, 5 and 6 May as in the opinion of the Government they were objectionable.

INTERNMENT FOR TWO WORKERS
For Alleged Socialistic Activities In Hyderabad

(From Our Correspondent)

HYDERABAD (Dn.) (By Mail).

Following the internment of Mr. B. Yella Reddy, a member of the Standing Committee of the Andhra Conference, I am informed that Government have issued orders for the internment of Mr. P. Hanumiah Choudhary of Khamam.

According to private advices received here, it is stated that orders under the Defence of Hyderabad Rules were served on Mr. Choudhary interning him in his village called Reyanapalayam in Khamam taluq. He has also been ordered not to deliver speeches and engage himself in any correspondence whatsoever with the exception of writing a few letters to h close relatives.

It is understood that Mr. Choudhary was interned for his alleged socialistic activities.

BENGAL PREMIER SEES VICEROY

Plan To End Constitutional Deadlock

SIMLA, May 12.

The Hon. Mr. Fazlul Huq, Premier of Bengal, who arrived in Simla this morning on a day's visit is leaving for Calcutta this evening. He saw His Excellency the Viceroy and had the honour of lunching with him.

Interviewed by the Associated Press the Bengal Premier said that he laid before His Excellency the Viceroy his plans to end the constitutional deadlock.—A. P.

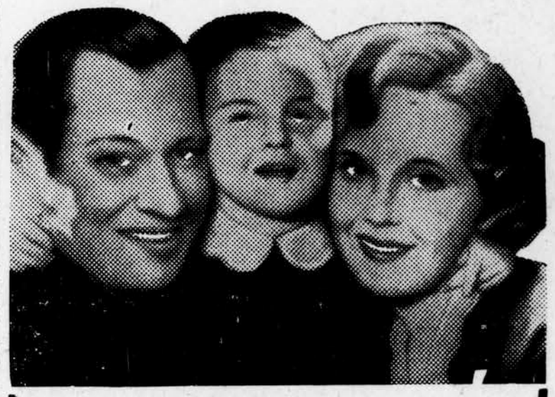
ZIA-UD-DIN SEES VICEROY

SIMLA, May 12.

The Hon. Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, Premier of Bengal left Simla for Calcutta this evening.

During his short stay here, Mr. Huq met Khwaja Hasan Nizami, Dr. M. C. Davar and Sir Zia-ud-Din Ahmed, M.L.A. (Central).

Sir Zia-ud-Din Ahmed, M.L.A., (Central), who was recently elected Vice-Chancellor of the Aligarh Muslim University, had an interview with H. E. the Viceroy today.—United Press.



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WHY DIDN'T YOU WAIT UNTIL JUNE AND SAY YOU WAS A JUNE BUG!

A LETTER TO SIR ROGER LUMLEY

(Continued from Page 6)

tion you think us mean if we do not subscribe to the "official" way of thinking.

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There were many possibilities Britain had of avoiding this conflict. It could have struck when Hitler occupied the demilitarised Rhineland. Or again at the time of the Saar. Or when it took Austria, or when Italy went to Abyssinia That was one possibility. There was a more pacifist way of doing things, which to my mind was preferable —an alliance between France, Britain and Russia. If Hitler knew he would have had to face war on two fronts it is hardly likely that he would have undertaken the venture. But an alliance with Russia to your "class" was as unholy and as caste-loosing as would be a marriage of one of your A. D. C.'s to an ayah. I give this crude illustration because I want to drive home the stupid arrogance of this "class" of yours, symbolised by what is known as the public-school-spirit, wearing a white-tie, writing in the Visitors' Book at Government House and all such petty, meaningless ritual in which your "class", Sir, still shrouds itself. And you come to us now asking for help for the war in the same way, still unrolling red carpet, still covered in a white stiff shirt, still pampering the least representative men in India. And what I want to say is this. There is in this country a genuine sympathy for your cause—because it is not the cause of your "class" but of the common people of England, France and other countries now under the Nazi heel and you could, in spite of political differences, get much from us, if only you'd ask for it as man to man and not as superior to inferior When the British Government sent out a military mission to Russia—a mission that returned empty-handed because Herr von Ribbentrop had at the same time concluded the pact for Germany, the same mistake was made. The name of the leader of the British Mission was sufficient to ruin its prospects. It was "Admiral the Honorable Sir Reginald Aylmer Ranfurly Plunkett-Ernle—Erle Drax! I ask you, Sir, could "Comrade" Stalin face this insult to his intelligence and could two such different worlds meet—if they were meant to meet at all in an alliance which was to save the peace and avert war? And you are making the same mistake in India to-day, which is the reason why our two worlds can never meet.

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Let me illustrate this to you more fully. One of the first things the Government of India did was to put a ban on the commercial relaying of the news from Berlin. That news was in Hindustani. That German propaganda came direct to the people of India in the language the people understood What has been your answer to that vile German propaganda? As I tinker with my radio set I hear a group of English "boys" collected from the local Anglo-Indian press and similar concerns and all I hear them say is: "Eau yerss", "Eau Neau", "Lahvly", "Terribly, terribly naice". Do you expect to tell the people of India anything in language like this? Are there not any Indians in this country of 370 millions who are fit to broadcast? And to broadcast in the language of the people? But, no, your class must perpetuate itself and so you go on drawing upon "official" resources and upon titled Indian nobodies, who will do anything for a piece of ribbon or a brass medal.

Look at your Defence Committees. Your Publicity Committees Air Raid. Red Cross. Do you, Sir, really and seriously believe that these committees can stand up to a real eventuality? Have they any conception of what a bomb can do? Do you expect the average Indian to be worked up about the defence of his country and wake up to the dangers of war by a poster or by a yellow placard reading "Air Raid Warden", or a fictitious black out, or a handful of army lads dancing at the Taj? Yesterday in England the House of Commons was bombed. Big Ben has been struck. Piccadilly Circus was bombed some months ago. Where are the pictures of these bombings? If they are as bad as I think they are, they ought to be shown in India to make this country understand what war means. If, however, you think that a tea-party by Lady X or Mrs. Y is more the type of war effort you are looking for, it's a different affair, but if you really want to stir up the young men and women and to shake them up from their complacent slumber, you'll have to do more than open a canteen or deliver a speech at the Town Hall. What Douglas Reed has said about the obtuseness of "officials" to see the right point of view on all these things applies as much to India as it does to England. That's why, Sir, I want you to read this book. The chances are that it will leave you cold and unmoved as similar warnings of this same brilliant correspondent left Mr. Chamberlain and his crew of ancient public-school mariners. On the other hand, there is just that one chance in a million that you, Sir, who have on occasions shown yourself (and I refer to you only) more willing to understand the other man's point of you, may understand what I am trying so hard to say.

If only you would read it, in the same spirit in which it is written, my purpose would be amply served.

D. F. KARAKA.

No Dishonest Practices In Business

Punjab Premier On Objects Of Agricultural Markets Act

LAHORE, May 12.

Sir Sikander Hyat Khan, the Premier, explaining the object of the Agricultural Produce Markets Act in the course of a statement issued prior to his departure for Simla says:

"I have made it clear on previous occasions and should like to emphasise once again that the Agricultural Produce Markets Act is intended neither to be a fiscal measure nor to harass and victimise the dealers. Its sole object is to eliminate abuses and malpractices which have crept into the mandis."

"It is in the interests of the honest businessmen as well as of the growers," the statement adds, "that our business should be purged of dishonest practices. Government are not prepared to let this object of the act be undermined. Consistently with this object, every care has been taken to allay the apprehensions of the business community regarding the working of the Act."—A. P.

BRATACHARI MOVEMENT AIDS NATIONALISM

Camp Opened At Madras To Train S. Indian Youths

MADRAS, May 12.

The hope that the Bratachari movement would help to develop not only physical qualities but also social values and bind us together in loyalty to our motherland, over-riding all other considerations of caste, creed and community, is expressed by Sir S. Radhakrishnan, Vice-Chancellor, Benares Hindu University, in a message wishing success to the first South India Bratachari Training Camp which was opened at Poonamalee yesterday evening.

Sir Mohamed Usman, Vice-Chacellor, Madras University, presiding at the inaugural function, stressed upon the non-political and non-communal aspect of the movement and expressed the hope that educated young men and women of all communities who participated in the movement would foster the spirit of goodwill and unity so essential for the prosperity of the country.

Mr. O. Pulla Reddi, Commissioner of the Madras Corporation, opened the camp. About 30 candidates including three women are undergoing training in the camp which will last till June. 10.—A. P.

KING-HALL NEWSLETTER

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tional Zone of Tangier. This has been done in spite of repeated assurances on the part of the Government at Madrid that British and international interests in Tangier would be respected. First the Spaniards assumed administrative control of the Zone, then followed the establishment of a press censorship, which in actual fact has been a censorship only of a single struggling British publication, whilst pro-Axis newspapers were allowed free rein to heap diatribes upon Britain and the democratic cause. Further evidence of the darkening shadow of the swastika is to be found in the repressive measures recently directed against Jews.

The duplicity of the Nazis knows no bounds. Whilst Darlan and his colleagues at Vichy are being cajoled into closer and closer co-operation with the Axis, Nazi agents in North Africa are attempting to stir up the Arabs in the French African possessions by all sorts of anti-French propaganda, including the promise of freedom from the French yoke when once a final German victory has been assured.

SENTENCES ON 164 KHAKSARS COMMUTED

LAHORE, May 12.

Holding that the accused had been sufficiently punished for defiance of Law and that they were all sorry for what they had done, the Additional Sessions Judge, Lahore, on appeal, reduced the sentences to the terms already undergone, of 164 Khaksars who had been convicted and sentenced to terms ranging from six months' to four years' under the Defence of India Rules and various sections of the Indian Penal Code.

The accused were arrested in different mosques of Lahore on June 12, 1940 for disobeying an order under Section 144 Cr. P. C. and marching in military formation in the streets of Lahore.—A. P.

INQUIRY INTO SINKING OF "MEKLA"

PATUAKHALI, May 11.

The District Magistrate of Buckerganj held an enquiry on May 7 into the circumstances of the sinking of the R. S. N. Company's steamer "Mekla" near Patuakhali on April 28.

The joint agent of the R. S. N. and I. G Companies, an inspector of the R. S. N. Company, the master of the "Mekla" and an official of the Marine Department were present at the enquiry, which continued for several hours.

Eleven of the surviving passengers appeared before the Magistrate. Seven of them submitted written statements regarding the disaster, while all deposed before the Magistrate.

Eight bodies of those killed in the accident have so far been brought to Patuakhali. A number of passengers, reported to have travelled by the steamer, are still missing.—A. P.

Bengal Plan For More Quinine

CALCUTTA, May 12.

Owing to increasing demands for quinine in the province and the inadequacy of existing supplies the Government of Bengal have decided to increase their production of Cinchona. It is proposed to expand the area under cultivation by opening new plantations in suitable localities of the Darjeeling district hitherto under forests. Cinchona takes some years to mature.

The present programme aims at increasing the yearly output of quinine from an average of 50,000 lbs per year to 100,000 lbs per year. Along with this quinine, 50,000 lbs of mixed Cinchona Alkaloids will also be available Possibilities of a further increase in production will continue to be explored. —A. P.

Punjab Govt. In Simla

SIMLA, May 12.

H. E. Sir Bertrand Glancy, Governor of the Punjab, attended the Secretariat to-day on the occasion of opening Punjab Government offices in Simla.

The Hon. Sir Sikander Hyat Khan, Premier of the Punjab, and the Hon. Sir Manoharlal, Finance Minister, also attended office and, it is understood, met His Excellency also.—United Press.

Indian Cotton Piece-Goods For West Africa

CALCUTTA, May 12.

The Government of India have enquired of the Bengal Millowners' Association if there will be any difficulty in obtaining cotton piecegoods particularly grey and bleached goods from India in time to supply to the Gold Coast and Nigeria during the main buying season opening in October next. They have further enquired whether there will be difficulty in supplying special types of cotton piecegoods required by the West African market.

The Government will be glad to know whether the Association anticipate any difficulty in obtaining freight space for the shipment of cotton piecegoods to the West African territory.—A. P.

A Comment On Crime

(By M. J. GOR DHANDAS)

The question of dispensing with the presence of accused persons in Criminal Courts has become very prominent during the last few years due to numerous causes, the outstanding of these being, the increase in inter-provincial litigation and also the increase in false, frivolous, and, malicious complaints against respectable persons, either for bringing pressure on them to settle civil disputes, or, for the nefarious purpose of extortion and intimidation.

Applications for exemption may be made under Sec. 205 or 540A of the Cr. Pro. Code. Under the later section however, the following ingredients must be satisfied before exemption can be granted viz., (1) There must be more than one accused. (2) The trial must have already commenced. (3) The accused must be "incapable of remaining before the Court". We shall however concern ourselves with Section 205 only.

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Applications for exemption under Sec. 205 of the Cr. Pro. Code are almost invariably granted when the accused are pardanashin ladies. In other cases, the Magistrates use and are required to use their discretion, which is however very wide and unfettered under the section, the first part of which reads: "Whenever a Magistrate issues a summons, he may, if he sees reason so to do, dispense with the personal attendance of the accused and permit him to appear by his pleader." The only restriction worth mention is that exemption is not to be granted when the process issued against the accused is a warrant and not a summons. This restriction has also been nullified by a recent judgment of Bennet J. in Jagdish Narain Bajpai in 41 Cr. L. J. at page 500. The expression "in the first instance" after the words "summons should issue" in Sec. 204 of the Criminal Procedure Code does not find place in Sec. 205. Moreover the later section begins with the word "whenever", meaning "at different occasions or stages in the trial". Thus, any magistrate in a case where warrant has already been issued may cancel the warrant and direct the major process of warrant to take effect as a summons and, thereafter, dispense with the personal attendance of the accused person.

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There is however a short passage in the judgment of Bennet J. in the case referred to above which may give the idea that the discretion vested under section 205 is to be utilised at the commencement of the trial and not at a later stage. What the magistrate is allowed to do at a later stage is to cancel his order for exemption only. The passage from which this inference can be drawn reads thus:— "In the present case the trial had not begun when the magistrate passed his order and therefore the stage of S. 205(1) Cr. Pro. Code was still existing." This was not the point to be decided in that case and it has not been judiciously decided as yet. If the meaning I attach to the passage above referred to is the true meaning of the same, then, I may humbly state that the view expressed therein does not seem to be correct. There is nothing in Section 205 which would restrict the discretion of a magistrate exempting the attendance of the accused at any stage of the proceedings.

It is therefore very clear that the discretion vested in the magistrate under Section 205 is very wide. However, what a magistrate has to see before granting an application for exemption is not inconvenience to the accused, or his respectability or the amount of expense he has to undergo, but, only whether there is a prima facie case against the accused or not; and though, in fit cases where the accused are pardanashin ladies or where the accused may be able to show that the purpose of the complaint is harassment, the presence of the accused may be dispensed with, it is always necessary that the discretion under Section 205 must be used sparingly.

NAGPUR, May 12.—The Governor of C. P. and Berar has promulgated an act, further to amend the Court Fees Act, 1870, in its application to this province.—A. P.

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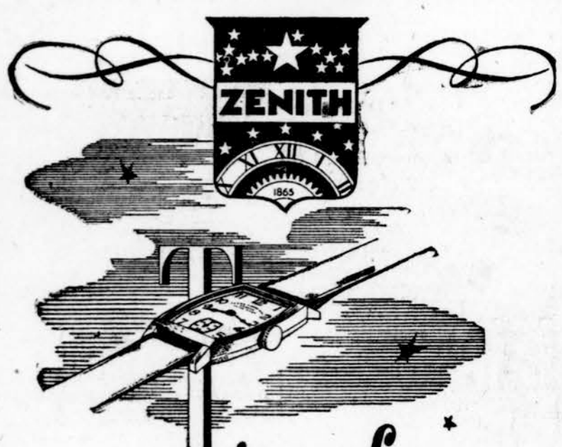

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Record Heat Fails To Hamper British Activities In Egypt

CAIRO, May 12.

It is practically unknown in the military history of Egypt for campaigns to be conducted during the months of May, June and July and even August.

An all-time heat record was set up on Saturday in North Africa when the temperature was from 118 to 122 degrees fahrenheit. Despite the limitations imposed by the heat on the British troops they are continuing to harass the enemy.

Casualties were inflicted and prisoners were taken in tde Tobruk area where a large party of Italians working near the peremeter under the protection of armoured fighting vehicles were surprised by British troops and Brengun carriers.

Before the Italian armoured vehicles could start their engines their working party had been machine-gunned and many were killed, wounded and taken prisoner.

The morale of the Italians in Abyssinia has been greatly affected by the constant strafing of the South African air force and activities of the patriot forces.—Reuter.

R. A. F.'s Fierce And Effective Hammering

Hamburg Set On Flames, Tripoli Harbour Pounded And Iraqi Aerodrome Occupied

LONDON, May 12.

An attack on Tripoli harbour, completion of the occupation of Rutbah area in Iraq and extensive damage to enemy aircraft in Sicily are reported in an R. A. F. communique issued from Cairo.

The Cairo communique says that extensive damage was caused to enemy aircraft on aerodromes at Catania and Comiso (Sicily) on Saturday. The attack in mid-afternoon came as a complete surprise and was highly successful. At Catania three groups of Me 111's and a cluster of Ju 88's were attacked.

The full details were not seen, but undoubtedly much damage was caused and troops running from their mess to shelter were machine-gunned.

Tripoli Hammered

In Libya during Saturday night heavy bombers attacked Tripoli Harbour, scoring several direct hits on the Spanish mole resulting in one large explosion and several fires.

One stick of bombs landed on the power station and several burst across the harbour, but the effects of these could not be observed because of a smoke screen.

Incendiary bombs started a number of other fires. From these successful raids all our aircraft returned safely, says the communique.

Fort Rutbah Occupied

Armoured cars of the R. A. F. occupied Fort Rutbah on Saturday after a bombing raid by British planes. The aerodrome was occupied two days previously, so the whole of this important area is now under complete British control.

HAMBURG IN FLAMES

The attack on Hamburg on Saturday night was as effective as it was fierce, states the Air Ministry news service and bomber pilots report immense damage throughout the city.

Under a clear sky and full moon which showed up the ground in detail the R. A. F. swept in through the barrage to drop load after heavy load of high explosives and incendiaries. **ONCE AGAIN INDUSTRIAL QUARTERS AND DOCKS WERE HAMMERED AND LEFT BLAZING.**

Under a storm of incendiaries more and more fires came to life elsewhere in the city. Industrial plants and factories were easy targets for the R. A. F. bomb aimers and sticks of explosives fell across goods yards and railway tracks and yet more fires added to the destruction in the submarine building yards.

In one district a great fire roared up, one of many which pilots declared appeared altogether beyond control. It was not only a night of formidable bombing but also one of marked success against the many fighters which the enemy sent up to help the ground defences.

Four enemy aircraft are known to be destroyed and at least two severely damaged by the British bombers.—Reuter.

Order For 3,500,000 Sanitary Cans To Be Placed With Indian Co.

SIMLA, May 12

Arrangements are being made with a firm in India for the supply of 3,500,000 sanitary cans conforming to British standard specifications.

These cans will be used for foodstuffs for which Mid-east have placed an order on India.

A source of supply for indigenous sago and tapioca has been located in Madras. The samples produced have been tested. With a view to developing this source of supply, a trial order for sago and tapioca has been placed for issue to certain hospitals.—A. P.

The opening ceremony of the First Bombay Suburban Swadeshi Industries Fair was performed under the auspices of "Kala Kendra" at Vile Parle on Saturday. Sjt. Manu Subhedar, M.L.A., is seen speaking

Argentine Ex-President Denounces Clamour For Neutrality

BUENOS AIRES, May 12.

"We want no new regimes which are against liberty, human dignity and Christ," declared Doctor De Alvear, ex-President of the Argentine Republic and Leader of the Liberal Party addressing the Radical Party Convention on the occasion of the celebration of the 137th Anniversary of the Argentine Assembly's adoption of the song "Liberty" as national anthem.

Denouncing those Argentines "who now clamour for neutrality" Dr. Alvear said they were the same people who some time ago thought that they could make trouble over the Falkland Islands, but that question could never ruffle Anglo-Argentine relations and would some day be settled in the most friendly way.—Reuter.

Enemy Will Be Beaten On Land

Tanks Will Play Vital Part In Final Victory, Says British R. T. C. Chief

LONDON, May 12.

"Bombing alone will never win the war. We live on land and we must beat them on land", said Britain's Tank Chief, Major-General, Giffard Le Martel, Commander of the Royal Tank Corps, in an interview.

Major-General Martel stressed the vital part which tanks must play in final victory, after watching a big-scale four-day exercise in which the R. T. C. took part.

Mechanisation will have to be greater and greater, he said, and in this Britain had the advantage of being capable of greater mechanisation than Germany, who was obliged to devote a large portion of her forces to the policing of Europe.

"America will have to produce more and more tanks", said Major-General Martel, but he looks to Lord Beaverbrook to speed up home production.

Types are changing all the time, he pointed out, adding, "I am very pleased with the type we are using now, but what we want is a dual purpose tank with great hitting power as well as speed.—A. P.

Black-out In Delhi

NEW DELHI, May 12.

New Delhi and Delhi were in complete darkness for four hours from 7 to 11 p. m. when a "black out" was held last night.

Connaught place in New Delhi and Chandni Chowk in the old city which are generally bright with multi-coloured lights were completely dark. Business was entirely suspended. All street lights were put out and headlights of motor cars were covered with brown papers.—U. P.

NEW DESIGNS FOR INDIAN STAMPS

SIMLA, May 12.

It has been decided to discontinue printing the present pictorial series of postage stamps of two annas, 3-1/2 As., 4 As., 6 As., 8 As., and 12 As., and to replace them by stamps of the same denominations of a non-pictorial design in the smaller standard size.—A. P.

"Hindus Also Subject To Human Frailties"

Savarkar Criticises Rajen Babu's "Moral Homily"

BOMBAY, May 12.

"Every well-wisher of the country should realise that the sooner peace and goodwill are restored and the Hindus and the Moslems come to live as good neighbours the better for us all. But if the Moslems continue to take the aggressive, it may be that the Hindus suffer in the beginning for sometime but the Moslems also shall have to pay the bill and riotous aggression is sure to cost them more in the long run. Aggressive action is bound in the case to recoil on its perpetrators howsoever we may regret its inevitability. Those who dislike to meet Nemesis should do well not to invite her at all."

Thus observed Mr. V. D. Savarkar, President of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, in the course of a statement to the "United Press" in connection with the Bihar riot situation vis-a-vis the statement of Dr. Rajendra Prasad thereon.

Moral Homily

Mr. Savarkar says: "Dr. Rajendra Babu has issued a statement in which he had administered a dose of moral homily to the Hindus in Behar in connection with the recent riots there in which the number of dead and wounded Muslims was three times larger than the casualties amongst the Hindus.

Dr. Prasad has consequently admonished the Hindus to remember that it was extremely regrettable that they should have misbehaved thus. Whatever be the causes that led to the riots in Behar, says Dr. Rajendra Prasad, it was unjust and reprehensible that the Hindus should retaliate in Behar to avenge the outrages to which Hindus were subjected in some other provinces by Muslim violence.

I do not know what proof Dr. Rajendra Prasad had, if his reported statement be true, to come to the conclusion that Hindus in Behar tried to avenge the wrongs which the Hindus in Dacca or in Sindh were made to undergo at the hand of Muslim fanaticism.

It would really be a surprise if the Hindus have come to develop such a keen sense of Pan-Hindu sympathy as to feel in one province for the wrongs which Hindus suffer in other provinces and even be prepared to avenge them.

A Hindu has always been known not to look further than his nose and not to care a fig for the interests or sufferings of Hindudom as a whole. Even the enemies of Hindus were always delighted to credit him for "Behaving well" on this point. It is indeed a news to know that the Hindu has begun to "Misbehave" in that he should feel so violently for his Hindu brethren and at that even in far off provinces.

"What Pakistan Means"

Dr. Rajendra Prasad, a kind soul that he is, would have done better if he had visited Dacca, Narayanguni and other places in Eastern Bengal while thousands of Muslim fanatics in massed formation were indulging there in riotous orgies against the Hindu minority and hemmed it in on all sides by murder, pillage, arson, forcible conversions,—in short all that Pakistan means—and administer a dose of a similar moral homily to his Muslim brethren there to persuade them to remember that the Hindu also was subject to human frailties just as the any other human being, whether of the German, or the English or the Muslim brand.

"The Hindus indeed are a hopeless lots; if they get all kicking kindly they get damned as cowards; if they kick in return even in self-defence, they get condemned as outrageous, antinational. Indeed the Hindus never know how to behave well."—United Press.

16,000 Germans Wounded In Rumania And Bulgaria

LONDON, May 12.

The Germans wounded in Bulgaria number 6,000 and in Rumania 10,000, according to estimates checked by direct evidence, announces an Istanbul message to the Independent French Agency.—Reuter.

EXHIBITION OF INDIAN ARTS OPENED

Mr. Subedar On Building Up Industries On Definite Plan

An exhibition of Indian arts and crafts organised by the Kala Kendra (Art Society) and young men of the Bombay Suburban District was declared open by Mr. Manu Subedar, M.L.A. (Central) on Saturday evening at the Suburban Industries Fair. Dr. Vyas, the Chairman of the Kala Kendra, welcomed Mr. Subedar and emphasised that, in the ordinary Indian handicrafts, there was a tradition of art, which had now been weakened under factory conditions.

Mr. Manu Subedar dealt with the difficulties of Indian industry, and pointed out how in some cases the merchants and the shopkeepers themselves were, in order to earn something extra on imported goods, running down the quality of Indian manufactures. The economic policy pursued by the United Kingdom was of concentrated manufacture in the United Kingdom and the production of foods and raw materials in India. The result was that, to-day there was food difficulty in the United Kingdom. In India, had industries been encouraged to the extent to which Indian public men had been asking, the help, which the United Kingdom was receiving and which was now being acknowledged in the production of munitions and other useful articles, would have been very much greater.

It was necessary to build up industries on a definite plan and in such a manner that millions of unskilled but willing workers in the rural areas, who were at present not getting any work, though they were offering themselves for work, could get employed. Exhibitions were very helpful to industry, as they brought the efforts of Indian industrialists to the notice of the public.

AIRMAILS TO AFRICA AND EUROPE

May Be Subjected To Some Delay

SIMLA, May 12.

A 'communique' states:—It was announced on May 5 that the Empire Air Mail Service to Africa and Europe had been interrupted and that no Air Mails would be accepted for destinations west of Basrah. Arrangements have been made for a resumption of the service on the basis of one service a week. Air Mails will therefore now be accepted for countries to the west of India served by the Empire Air Mail Service. It is, however, necessary to warn the public that owing to restricted capacity in the planes, Air Mails may be subject to some delay.—A. P.

Charlie Chan Detective Story Day By Day

MAYBE KEENO HAS NINE LIVES

BANANA BOAT MYSTERY

OI! THEY'RE SAVED! GINA! CHARLIE! KIRK! IT'S ME – J.C. KORNWELLER, IN PERSON!
OI! THIS IS THE HAPPIEST MINUTE OF MY LIFE!
J.C.! YOU BRAVE DEAR!
YOU ARRIVED LIKE THE CAVALRY – RIGHT ON TIME!
AS J.C. GREETS HIS FRIENDS...
MASTER IS DEAD! WHEN ORIENTAL PASSES, MOLU WILL SEND HIM TO BE SLAVE IN SPIRIT WORLD!
... AND AS MOLU WAITS TO KILL CHARLIE...
MY ARM IS BROKEN – LEG TWISTED – I'M HELPLESS! I MUST HIDE UNTIL CHAN AND HIS PARTY LEAVE THE ISLAND!
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